



# Farmingdale School District

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**DATE:** February 3, 2021

**KIND OF MEETING:** Board Meeting

**PLACE:** Virtual Meeting – [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org)

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Goldberg, Mrs. D’Amico, Mr. Espinosa, Mr. Giordano, Mrs. Lively, Mr. Morales, Mrs. Soete

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Defendini, Dr. Ripley, Mr. Zakian, Dr. Brennan, Dr. Olsen, Mr. Motisi (Executive Session Only), Richard Guercio, Esq., Reesa Miles (Executive Session Only), Mrs. Rogers

**Roll Call**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Goldberg, President of the Board of Education. In accordance with Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order related to temporary modifications to Public Officers Law, the meeting was conducted in a virtual format to allow for the uninterrupted continuation of our important work. The Board meeting notice indicated that access to the meeting would be posted on the district’s website at [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org) and a live feed would be available on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com).

**Motion to Enter Executive Session**

Motion made by Mrs. D’Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa, to meet in executive session to discuss specific personnel matters in accordance with Open Meetings Law. Motion carried 7-0

Meeting recessed for executive session at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened in public session at 8:00 p.m. Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting with the following statement:

Pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 (and subsequent orders closing District schools) issued by the Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, signed March 12, 2020, and due to the concerns of the Board of Education for the Health and Safety of the community emanating from the current COVID-19 pandemic, there would be no in-person public access to the board meeting and instead the meeting would be live streamed and recorded. Access to the live stream could be had by accessing the school district’s website for a link that will bring you to a youtube site and the recording of the meeting can be accessed on [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org). In addition, the public participation portion of the meeting was suspended by board resolution.

**Motion to Suspend**

On a motion made by Mrs. D’Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa, pursuant to the aforementioned Executive Order, the Board suspended the public participation portion

**Public Participation**

of the meeting and therefore, accordingly, there would be no public participation at this Board meeting.

Motion carried 7-0

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Goldberg continued, stating that the Board of Education was interested in encouraging members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions. Feedback and questions should be directed to the Board's email account at boe@farmingdaleschools.org. Questions and comments would be responded to by members of the central administrative team and would be publicly reviewed at the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Goldberg thanked everyone for their anticipated courtesy and cooperation. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Superintendent's Update**

**Monthly Update**

Board President Michael Goldberg introduced Superintendent of Schools Paul Defendini and asked for his monthly update.

Mr. Defendini began his report with an update on the 2021-2022 budget development. He stated that the district had begun the work and will present information to the community in March. Although the district is not free and clear from making difficult program decisions, federal funding is likely to mitigate draconian reductions in services to our students. He also mentioned that the district looks forward to a collaborative budget season with the Board and the community at large.

Mr. Defendini stated that the work on the Aquatic Center was ongoing, even though this week's snow and next week's potential snow has slowed the progress. The mechanical work is on going; the pumping, filtration and draining systems are well underway. The next phase of the project will begin in March as the steel frame begins to emerge.

Mr. Defendini stated that the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year will begin on February 1. Students in Grades 8-12 had the opportunity to select a hybrid attendance model or remain on a fully remote schedule. Grades 6 and 7 began a small group/large group setting in the middle school.—

Mr. Defendini also announced a new initiative with the school lunch program. A questionnaire would be sent to remote students to see if they would be interested in a meal delivery system.

Finally, Mr. Defendini stated that due to Governor Cuomo's latest release of information and plans announced by Nassau County Executive Laura Curran, sports would be returning as of February 1. Mr. Zakian, Ms. Berkoski and Ms. Esposito, in the course of just a few days, were able to organize the new season's start, the mandatory COVID testing protocols, and the scheduling of athletic events.—

Mr. Defendini spoke of the snow days. Farmingdale Schools now has a very tight calendar and the use of snow days without instruction would need to be made up by adjusting the Memorial Day weekend schedule. Two days were used: the first in December and the second in January. Two days of live instruction will now be in

place on May 27 and May 28. If there were any further snow events, the district would be on a remote schedule; otherwise we would have to shorten the spring recess.

Mr. Defendini concluded his update by thanking the staff for all of their efforts as we continue to navigate the 2020-2021 school year. He stated that he had received a compliment recently from a high school parent who had stated that she was impressed with the thoughtfulness behind instructional decision and the high level of program delivery during some of the most challenging days. Mr. Defendini stated that it is the team at the table, the teachers, the support staff and the Board of Education that makes this happen.

## Board of Education Minutes

Board of Education - Board Meeting - Jan 13, 2021 8:00 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony Giordano, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Board Correspondence** Board President Michael Goldberg asked the District Clerk if there had been any Board correspondence. Mrs. Rogers stated that there had been no mail or emails received during the past month.

**Board Committee Reports** Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting for Board Committee reports. Mrs. D'Amico began by reporting on the Albany Avenue PTA meeting. She stated that there was a very large turnout to the virtual meeting. The 2020 Jenkins and Distinguished Service Awards were distributed. Honorees included Mrs. Dejewski, Mrs. McAuley, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Puglisi and Mr. Persico. She stated that upcoming virtual events include a self-defense class and a Salsa Dance.

Mrs. Soete reported on the living history museum at Saltzman East Memorial. The students were dressed as a figure from history and stood in their homes to make their characters come alive.

Mr. Espinosa reported on the Policy Committee meetings, which were attended by himself, Mrs. Lively and Mr. Giordano. He also attended the Farmingdale Public Library's trustee meeting. They are extending their winter hours until the end of March and remain closed on Sundays. Mr. Espinosa attended the January 14 Nassau BOCES budget development meeting. They are looking forward to some normalcy in September, 2021.

Mrs. Lively reported on the Legislative Action Committee meeting. She stated that virtual visits to local elected officials were continuing. She was pleased to report that high school students have been joining in this important work. Any concerns from the community should be sent to either Dr. Brennan or Mr. Motisi so that they may be considered for future discussions with our state senators and assembly representatives. Mrs. Lively also reported on the Farmingdale Youth Council scholarship program.

Two scholarships, including the Murray Tuck and the Gary E. Karp Memorial Scholarship recognize students who have focused efforts on community service. Both scholarships are for \$1,000 each. Applications are available on the Youth Council's website and in the high school's Guidance office. The deadline is March 15.

Mrs. Soete reported on the Wellness Committee and the anticipated virtual Family Wellness event. Information would be available on the district's website.

Mr. Goldberg stated that he would be attending the district's audit committee meeting the next day.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Giordano, that the Consent Agenda consisting of Items I (a-j), II (a-e) and III (a-d) be approved as a whole with action recorded separately.

### ***Business Report***

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony Giordano, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

### ***Acceptance for File of Financial Reports***

**Acceptance of the Claims Auditor Report - December 2020** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Claims Auditor Report for the month of December 2020 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

**Acceptance of the Extra Curricular Report - December 2020** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the extracurricular report for Farmingdale High School, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, Albany Avenue Elementary School, Northside Elementary School, Saltzman East Memorial Elementary School and Woodward Parkway Elementary School for the month of December 2020 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

**Acceptance of the Revenue and Expenditure Report - December 2020** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of December 2020 pursuant to the authority contained in 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

**Acceptance of the** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2020 pursuant to the

**Treasurer's  
Report -  
December  
2020**

authority contained in Section 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

*Approval of Contracts and Agreements*

**Approval of a  
Special  
Education  
SEDCAR  
Contract**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the following contract for Strategic Evaluation Data Collection Analysis and Reporting (SEDCAR) during the 2020-2021 school year and to authorize the Board President to sign said contract.

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**Approval of  
Special  
Education and  
General  
Education  
Contracts**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the following contracts for Special Education and General Education services for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contracts.

BROOKVILLE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES, INC.  
MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Approval of  
Health &  
Welfare  
Services  
Agreement for  
Resident  
Students  
Attending Non  
Public Schools  
Outside of the  
District for the  
2020/21 School  
Year (Jericho)**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the Health & Welfare Services Agreement with the following school district for resident students attending non-public schools outside of the district for the 2020/21 school year, and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

(Jericho)

**Approval of  
an Agreement  
with  
Grammarly,  
Inc. for the  
2020/21 School  
Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an agreement with Grammarly, Inc., an adaptive learning application that helps students develop writing skills such as grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, and vocabulary usage for the 2020/21 School Year and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of an  
Agreement  
with Yale  
University for  
the RULER  
Program -**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an Agreement with Yale University for the RULER professional development program for Howitt Middle School administration and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Howitt  
Administration**

**Approval of an Agreement with Yale University for the RULER Program - HS Administration** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an Agreement with Yale University for the RULER professional development program for Farmingdale High School administration and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of Tuition Rates for Non-Resident Students Attending Public Schools for the 2019/20 School Year** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approves the tuition rates for the instruction of non-resident students that attend the public schools of this district for the 2018/19 school year as calculated by the New York State Education Department, pursuant to Section 174 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

2019/20 Rates:  
Grades K-6 \$17,140  
Grades 7-12 \$18,403  
Special Education K-6 \$48,835  
Special Education 7-12 \$50,098

**Acceptance of Donation to the Community Assistance Fund from the Farmingdale Federation of Teachers Retiree Chapter** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education acknowledge, accept and thank the Farmingdale Federation of Teachers Retiree Chapter for a monetary donation to the district's Community Assistance Fund.

**Approval of Declaration of Obsolete Equipment - February 2021** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education declare a schedule of items as obsolete and disposed of in accordance with Board Policy 6900.

**Approval of Transfer of Funds - February 2021** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a schedule of transfer of funds for the purposes noted.

**Acceptance of Funds and Increase the 2020/21 Budget for** WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$1,215 for the purpose of student participation in Arts-in-Education through the PTA.

**Participation  
in PTA Arts-  
in-Education**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District will increase the 2020/21 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Acceptance of  
Funds and  
Increase the  
2020/21  
Budget for the  
All County  
Art Exhibition**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$630 for the purpose of student participation in the All County Art Exhibition.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education will increase the 2020/21 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Acceptance of  
Funds and  
Increase the  
2020/21  
Budget for  
NYSSMA  
Participation**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$13,000 for the purpose of student participation in NYSSMA.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education will increase the 2020/21 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Approval of  
Change Order  
#2 with  
Construction  
Consultants of  
Long Island,  
Inc., for labor,  
equipment and  
the removal  
and disposal of  
excess  
material as  
required for  
the excavation,  
backfill and  
compaction of  
the  
competition  
pool and  
public pool  
work  
associated  
with the  
Aquatic  
Center at  
Howitt Middle  
School**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept Change Order #2 to Construction Consultants of Long Island, Inc., for labor, equipment and the removal and disposal of excess material as required for the excavation, backfill and compaction of the competition pool and public pool work associated with the Aquatic Center at Howitt Middle School.

This change order has been agreed to by the district's architect and contractor at our request.

Change Order #2  
Additional \$108,343.23

*Items for Action*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony Giordano, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Acceptance of the Recommendation of Honorees on the Farmingdale Wall of Fame for 2021**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Honorees of the Wall of Fame Committee and approve the placement of:

**Russ Catanzaro - Class of 1970**

**Christine Lathuras - Class of 1991**

**Christa Lucarelli - Class of 1987**

on the Farmingdale High School Wall of Fame in accordance with Board Policy 5900-R.

**Approval of the Revised Districtwide Shared Decision Making Plan**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the attached revised Districtwide Shared Decision Making Plan.

**Approval of a Revised Addendum to a September 9, 2020 Memorandum of Agreement**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a Revised Addendum to a September 9, 2020 Memorandum of Agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free Board of Education and the Assistant Superintendents and Assistants to the Superintendent and that the Board President be hereby authorized to sign said agreement.

**Approval of a Revised Addendum to an October 7, 2020 Unaffiliated Memorandum of Agreement**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a Revised Addendum to an October 7, 2020 Memorandum of Agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free Board of Education and the unaffiliated staff named in executive session and that the Board President be hereby authorized to sign said agreement.

**Approval of a Stipulation of Settlement & Release Agreement with Employee Named in**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a Stipulation of Settlement & Release Agreement regarding an employee named in Executive Session and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

**Executive  
Session**

*Superintendent's Report*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony Giordano, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

*Personnel Items -- Instructional*

**Instructional:  
Resignations  
for the  
Purpose of  
Retirement** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement", effective on the dates noted hereon and to adopt the corresponding retirement resolutions.

**Instructional:  
Leaves of  
Absence 2020 /  
2021** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Leaves of Absence 2020 / 2021", effective for the dates noted hereon and for the reasons stated.

**Instructional:  
Appointments  
/ Retroactive  
Regular  
Substitutes** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / Retroactive Regular Substitutes", in accordance with Board Policy 9241. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:  
Acknowledge  
with Thanks  
Regular  
Substitute  
Service** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District acknowledges with thanks and appreciation the service of the named teacher who held a regular substitute appointment during the 2020-2021 school year.

**Instructional:  
Appointments  
Regular  
Substitutes /  
2020-2021** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approves a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments Regular Substitutes / 2020-2021", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Part Time  
Position 2020-  
2021** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve an instructional personnel action: "Appointment / Part-time 2020-2021", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget. Part time positions are annual appointments.

**Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Part Time  
Virtual  
Position 2020-  
2021  
(Confirmation  
of Start Date)** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve an instructional personnel action: "Appointment / Part-time 2020-2021 (Confirmation of Start Date)", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget. Part time positions are annual appointments.

**Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Math  
Reassessment  
Committee** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School district accept an instructional personnel action: "Appointment / Math Reassessment Committee." Stipends are contingent upon completion of assignment.

**Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Mentor  
Facilitator** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School district accept an instructional personnel action: "Appointment / Mentor Facilitator."

**Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Principal  
Secondary  
Summer  
School** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the appointment of Cara Lynn Molina as Principal of the 2021 Secondary Summer School, contingent upon an approved budget for 2021 - 2022.

**Instructional:  
Coaching and  
Extra  
Curricular  
Appointments** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Coaching and Extra Curricular Appointments", in accordance with Board Policy 5200. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget. Stipends are contingent upon completion of assignments.

**Instructional:  
Continuing  
and  
Community  
Education  
Personnel** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments of Continuing and Community Education Personnel." Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:  
Appointment  
of On Call, Per  
Diem  
Substitute  
Teachers** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teachers", subject to termination at any time.

*Personnel Items -- Non-Instructional*

**Non-Instructional: Board Officer Salary Adjustment / Extra Curricular Treasurer**

WHEREAS, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education relies on the of expertise of their Board Officers in helping to develop a school environment that is academically challenging, psychologically satisfying and socially fulfilling for students at all levels and

WHEREAS, the extra-curricular treasurer helps ensure excellence in fiscal planning and examining, allowing or rejecting all accounts, charges, claims or demands against the school district as key components in attaining the district's educational goals and priorities; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the increase in the salary rate for the Extra-Curricular Treasurer by 1.25%, effective July 1, 2020.

**Non-Instructional: Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement / CSEA**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement / CSEA", effective on the date noted hereon.

**Non-Instructional: Termination / CSEA**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Termination / CSEA" effective on the date noted hereon.

**Non-Instructional: Appointment / CSEA (Return from Leave of Absence)**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointment / CSEA (Return from Leave of Absence)", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Non-Instructional: Resignation / TASM**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Resignation / TASM" effective on the date noted hereon.

**Non-Instructional: Leaves of Absence / TASM**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Leaves of Absence / TASM" in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations.

**Non-Instructional:**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-

**Appointment / TASM** instructional personnel action: "Appointment / TASM", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Non-instructional: Appointments / On-Call, Per Diem Substitute School Monitors** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / On-Call, Per Diem Substitute School Monitors", subject to termination at any time.

**Non-instructional: Appointment / On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aides** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aides", subject to termination at any time.

**Approval of the Committee on Preschool Special Education Placements Report and Acceptance for File of Said Report** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Preschool Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated January 10, 2021, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

**Approval of the Committee on Special Education Placements Report and Acceptance for File of Said Report** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated January 10, 2021, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

#### **Items for Discussion and Action**

Motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa to accept and approve

**Approval of the District** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the school district calendar for the 2021 - 2022 school year in accordance with Board Policy 4110.

**Calendar for  
2021- 2022**

*Discussion:*

Board President Michael Goldberg introduced Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration Glen Zakian and asked for an update on the development of the 2021-2022 school calendar. Mr. Zakian stated that in January, the Board had the opportunity to review the first draft of the calendar. This second draft, which is recommended for adoption, changes the first day of school to September 2. Students would report on that Thursday and Friday and then would be out for Labor Day and two days for the observance of Rosh Hashanah. Mrs. Lively asked if we knew the last day of school in June, 2022. Mr. Zakian stated that we had not received the Regents exam schedule for next year. We anticipate that school will end on June 24.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Items for Discussion**

**Draft Policy and Regulation #5500, Student Records** Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration Glen Zakian reviewed changes to Board Policy and Regulation No. 5500, "Student Records." The changes were the related to, data security, FERPA and McKinney-Vento regulations. The policy changes will limit access to student records. He noted that all of the practices embedded in these changes were already in place in Farmingdale Schools.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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**Draft Districtwide School Safety Plan** Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration Glen Zakian reported on changes to the Districtwide Safety Plan. Most notably, the changes were the result of the COVID-19 pandemic, which drove a written pandemic planning and response protocols plan. Appendix B "Communicable Disease - Pandemic Plan" details prevention plans, defines essential employees, specifies staggering works schedules, communication protocols, PPE supply management, cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting protocols, and accommodation procedures. Mr. Zakian stated that the draft plan would be posted on the district's website for 30 days for community response and would be provided to the Board of Education on April 7 for approval.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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**Adjournment** On a motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa the meeting was adjourned.

Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk