

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WOODBRIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, December 10, 2025  
Superintendent's Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Lynn Piascyk, Chair, called the meeting to order (7:21 PM).

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lynn Piascyk, Chair (in person); Dr. Jay Dahya (remote); Steven Lawrence, Vice Chair (remote); Dr. Lauren Francese (in person) and Erin Williamson (remote).

**STAFF:** Christopher Montini, Superintendent; Analisa Sherman, Principal; Carrie Borcharding, Special Services Director; Donna Coonan, Director of Business Services/ Operations and Marsha DeGennaro, Clerk of the Board.

Chair Piascyk noted that there will be no action on the budget proposal this evening. Action will occur at the December 15 regular Board meeting. Questions raised at the December 4 were answered.

**2026/27 Budget Proposal** – Superintendent Montini reviewed the questions raised at the December 4 meeting. Answers were provided regarding budget increases over a 10-year period, staff increases relative to student increases and sped service requirements, transportation cost breakdowns, 10 year budget trend adjusted for inflation, budget / sped increases over the last five years, proposed program / service reduction charge, self-insurance coverage and salary savings. Charts added to the December 4, 2025 presentation include BOWA DRG Comparisons and actual / projected enrollment trends over the past 10 years.

It was noted that while the BOF has requested Town departments to present program reductions that would be necessary if there was no funding increase in FY27, that information is not included in this presentation. It was clarified that the Board of Education is obligated to request from the town a budget that fulfills the responsibilities charged by CGS Sec 10-220: Duties of Boards of Education, which states, in part: (the BOE) *“Shall provide an appropriate learning environment for all its students which includes (1) adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment, staffing, facilities, and technology, (2) equitable allocation of resources among its schools, (3) proper maintenance of facilities, and (4) a safe school setting”*. The superintendent's proposed budget fulfills these responsibilities and our continued commitment to ensuring that every child in the Woodbridge School District learns at high levels in a safe, supportive, and engaging environment. That list would not be developed until after adoption of the budget that meets student needs.

The Board determined that another workshop was not necessary and would take action on both the Operating and Capital budgets at the December 15 meeting on Monday.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** (7:54 PM)  
Dr. Francese  
Second by Mr. Lawrence  
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Recorded by Marsha DeGennaro, Clerk of the Board.