



**NORTH BELLMORE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 17, 2025**

Work Session	Martin Avenue School 2616 Martin Avenue, Bellmore, New York 11710	6:00 PM
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A work session meeting of the North Bellmore Union Free School District Board of Education was held on Monday, November 17, 2025.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

- Rosemarie Corless, President
- Christopher Nardo, Vice President
- Melissa Cmar-Grote (arrived 6:11 p.m.)
- Nina Lanci
- Christine Malloy (arrived 6:25 p.m.)

Also present:

- Marie Testa, Superintendent of Schools
- Janet Pollitt, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
- Catherine Freeman, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business
- Richard Russo, Director of Facilities
- Richard Cunningham, Consultant
- John Grillo, District Architect
- Laurice Gunnels, District Clerk

CALL TO ORDER ON A MOTION by Mrs. Lanci, seconded by Mr. Nardo, and carried 3-0, the meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mrs. Corless led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT Mrs. Pollitt read the District’s Mission Statement.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT Mrs. Testa indicated the focus this evening is to discuss the status of the capital projects, and strategies and funding options for future capital needs. Mrs. Testa extended gratitude to the entire team Mrs. Freeman, Mr. Russo, Mrs. Pollitt, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Grillo for preparing and updating the materials and being present this evening to answer questions.

Mr. Cunningham narrated and shared a detailed power point presentation outlining the completed, current, and future capital projects district wide, and funding strategies for the BOE to consider long term.

PRESENTATIONCAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE:

- Discussion of emerging priorities and long-term vision.
- Exploration of funding options.
- Bond initiatives.
- Annual budget capital lines.
- Establishment or use of capital reserves.
- Discussion of timelines, feasibility, and community engagement.
- Identification of key decisions and action items.
- Outline of follow-up meetings and communication plans.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Malloy, seconded by Mrs. Cmar-Grote, and carried 5-0, the Board of Education meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurice Gunnels
District Clerk