

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FINN ACADEMY: AN ELMIRA CHARTER SCHOOL
610 Lake Street Elmira, New York 14901
July 13, 2026
6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:01 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Kevin Brimmer	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Kathryn Coletta	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Christopher Denton	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Jean Papandrea	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
James Pfiffer	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Patricia Richards	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Matthew Seybold	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Renée Sutton	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Tyler Wilson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Martina Baker (ex-officio)	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Aimee Ciarlo (ex-officio)	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Ryan Dunlap (Teacher Rep)	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Jennifer Wisneski (Parent Rep)	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Pending (Parent Rep)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

IV. WELCOME & MISSION MOMENT

At Finn Academy we promote an inclusive, rigorous and nurturing environment to best prepare our children for their future and to cultivate a community of scholars, leaders and friends.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution to approve/**amend**/add/table/delete agenda items:

So Moved: Chris Denton

Seconded: Kevin Brimmer

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

VII. PARENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: more notice if/when there are dress down days, a few more reminders if possible.

VIII. TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: seems like end of year went well with staff.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. GOVERNANCE: *add a section to the website on the History of Finn, Founders, etc. Add National Elementary Honor Society to website.*

Resolution: To approve the minutes from the June meeting of the Board of Trustees, as presented. *Amend to fix the minutes with Chris Denton's correct spelling.*

Resolution: To approve the slate of officers for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the 2026-2027 Wellness Policy, as presented.

So Moved: Chris Denton

Seconded: Tyler Wilson

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

B. FINANCE

Resolution: To approve the May financial statements as prepared by Kirisits and Associates, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the quote from Committee for Children for Second Step curriculum in the amount of \$3,199.00, as presented.

Resolution: To approve payment to Educational Vistas in the amounts of \$2,266.50 and \$2,030.50, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the quote for Spelling Books from Rainbow Resource Center in the amount of \$1,228.50, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the quote from ACCO Brands in the amount of \$2,215.54, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the quote from Hertz Furniture in the amount of \$9,917.90, as presented.

Resolution: To approve purchases from Amazon for lighting upgrades in the amount of \$1,675.78, as presented.

Resolution: To approve the quote from TCI in the amount of \$5,097.00.

Resolution: To approve the quote from HMH for GoMath curriculum in the amount of \$17,728.40.

Resolution: To approve the quote from OpenUp Resources in the amount of \$9,820.00, as presented.

So Moved: Kevin Brimmer

Seconded: Matt Seybold

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

C. ACADEMICS

X. REPORT OF THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution: To move into Executive Session for purpose 1.f (below):

So Moved: Chris Denton

Seconded: Tyler Wilson

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

(Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys: f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.).

Resolution: To return from Executive Session : **7:47 p.m.**

So Moved: Matt Seybold

Seconded: Katie Coletta

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Resolution: To approve the Personnel Packet as presented in Executive Session.

So Moved: Tyler Wilson **Seconded:** Chris Denton

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution to adjourn meeting at: 7:47 p.m.

So Moved: Chris Denton **Seconded:** Jean Papandrea

In Favor: All

Opposed: None