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**Board of Education Accepts Superintendent's Resignation for Retirement**

After 12 years of service as Superintendent of Garden City Public Schools, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert Feirsen for purposes of retirement at the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. "The Board is deeply grateful for Dr. Feirsen's extraordinary leadership and dedicated service to our community, staff, parents, and students," shared Board President Angela Heineman. "As an outstanding educator, our school district has benefitted from his vast experience and guidance. We extend our best wishes as he steps into a new role as a faculty member and Director of the Program for School Leadership and Technology at New York Institute of Technology."

“The district’s mission and promise to our community and our students lives on, as do our multi-year goals. We want to reassure the community that our plan for succession is already in place and underway. Dr. Feirsen will remain Superintendent until July 31<sup>st</sup>, at which time an Interim Superintendent will be appointed to guide the district until a permanent replacement is hired. We need to find the right person for Garden City, a leader who will continue our legacy of educational excellence and opportunity for all students. The Board plans to engage a specialized firm with relevant experience to assist us with the search process for a new superintendent. We want this to be a thoughtful, deliberate process, not rushed, and one that includes opportunity for input from the various stakeholder groups in the community. During the transition period, the Board will keep residents informed as the process unfolds. A new page has been created on the district website under the Board of Education tab for this purpose.”

“From the Board of Education, and everyone in our schools and the Garden City community, congratulations, Dr. Feirsen, and thank you for your visionary leadership and tireless dedication to our students and our public schools.”