Best wishes: Trustee Cathleen Webb (left) wishes incumbent Helen Ditzhazy well after serving eight years on the board. Ditzhazy fin-ished fourth in the Farm ington school election Monday.



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8 compared to McKendrick's 76. Ironically, it was York and McKendrick who tangled the most during the final candidate forums. Debate centered on the main-road busing of secondary students.

students.
York defended the schools' handling of the issue.
McKendrick, chairwoman of the Citizens for Transportation Sofety, has been opposed to meinroad busing. That issue plus endorsements by many Farmington Hills city council members previded vigor to her campaign.
"I am extremely disappointed," McKendrick said. "I think I had a clear message and I think it was heard.

"My feeling throughout the campaign, though, was even if I lost I gained because of the people

I met."

Added McKendrick leter: "I'm
trying to think of 52 people I
could have called yesterday."

Voters acemed to say yes to
school involvement. That, and
unofficial support by some curent school board members, gave
Feldman and York a deciding
edge.

edge.
Trustee Joe Svoke went on record supporting Feldman and York, bypassing Ditzhazy alto-



Embracing victory: Former board member Janice Rolnick gives newly elected board member Bobbie Feldman a congratulatory hug about a half-hour be-fore the final tally.

gether. He wasn't alone, as the in-cumbent found out later. "They claim they didn't realize I was running," said Ditthazy, who was seeking a third term on the boord. "That's the truth." Feldman's board bid appeared

to gain momentum as the campaign progressed.

She had the support of the school establishment from the onset of the school establishment from the onset of the teacher union. She lash had a crew of volunteers, at least one tail eight precincts.

"I have the best friends in the whole world," Feldman said. "Better than the win was the friendships extended to me. That's what made this win as special — my friends."

Foldman also stayed out of any heated exchanges during the three candidate forums.

"That's not my style; I don't play dirty," she said. "I believe we can always work things through positive methods."

Julia Glazer and Terry Fobbs were the only other candidates haw up at city hall. Charles Remus, Kenneth Stein and Joed Marwil were not present when the final tally was announced.

Fobbs arrived at city hall to find out he finished fifth with 438 votes. He admitted being new to the district hurt his cause, but added he plans to stay involved.

Said Fobbs, "To quote Arnold Schwarzenegger, Til be back."



Winning pair: Bobbie Feldman and David York share the moment of victory after the final precincts were counted at Farmington Hills City Hall Monday.



Final tally: Farmington school board trustee Helen Prutow (left), Judy York, Chris Clayson, David York and Steve Kaplan go over the results, which indicate David York won the second seat on the board by 61 votes.

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