



**TOWN OF ROCKY HILL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MINUTES/MOTIONS**

In order to comply with Connecticut General Statutes regarding minutes of meetings, the following will be used to record information during all public meetings that take place. An original must be submitted to the Town Clerk of Rocky Hill within 48 hours of the meeting being adjourned. Motions should be complete, showing the maker and second of the motion as well as how each member voted. Unanimous votes may be listed as unanimous.

NAME OF PUBLIC BOARD OR COMMISSION	Board of Education Meeting
DATE MEETING AGENDA POSTED	5/15/2026
LOCATION	Town Hall Council Chambers
DATE OF MEETING	May 21, 2026
TIME MEETING STARTED	7:01 p.m.
PERSON PREPARING MEETING MINUTES	Sandy Mal, Recording Secretary
VERBATIM NOTES TAKEN	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
AUDIO/VIDEO/LIVE TRANSMISSION OF MEETING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

MEMBERS PRESENT AT MEETING

Jessica Loffredo (Chairperson)	Maria Mennella (Co-Chairperson)	Bryan Addy
Jennifer Baron-Morfea	Brian Clemens	Tom Cosker
Kristen Dudanowicz	Amber Tucker	

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mark Zito, Superintendent, Dr. Scott Nozik, Asst. Superintendent for Finance & Operations, Wendy Durand, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, Dr. Anabelle Diaz-Santiago, Interim Asst. Superintendent of Personnel & Student Services, Jason Maziarz, Principal GMS, Paige Weaver, Asst. Principal GMS, John Fote, Principal RHHS, David DeCarli, RHHS Asst. Principal, Dr. Schaefer, Language Arts Coordinator, Cara Quinn, Principal West Hill School, Cara Faucher, Asst. Principal West Hill School, Bethany Calado, Principal Stevens School, Thomas Cassello, Interim Principal Moser School, Kaitlyn Moore, Interim Asst. Principal Moser School, Jessie Herman, Director of Special Education & Pupil Service, Ron Lamontagne, Director of Facilities

NUMBER REQUIRED FOR QUORUM 5 **QUORUM PRESENT** Yes No

Summary of Meeting

Special Recognitions:

- Staff Retirements
- Student Recognitions

District Celebration:

- Unified Sports – Mr. Cosker
- **Rocky Hill Civility Awards:** Five students were honored for demonstrating exceptional character and civility within their schools:
Masi Asadourian, Subhanjeet Mallick, * Deena Yamoussa (Rocky Hill High School)
Camden Galusha & Sreen Al Shami (West Hill School)

Approval of Minutes

- **April 23, 2026** – Board of Education Meeting

- **April 28, 2026** – Board of Education Facilities Committee Meeting
- **April 28, 2026** – Board of Education Policy Committee Meeting
- **April 28, 2026** – Board of Education Special Education Committee Meeting

Consent Calendar:

- **Approval of Sodexo Food Service Renewal**

Greenhouse/Hydroponics Presentation- Ms. Antol & Students

Ms. Durand reported
 Dr. Diaz-Santiago reported.
 Dr. Nozik reported.
 Dr. Zito reported.
 Ms. Loffredo reported.

TEXT MOTIONS AND RESULTS VOTES

1st MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair **Ms. Jessica Loffredo** at **7:01 p.m.**
Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion **to approve the following minutes:** A motion was made by Ms. Maria Mennella and seconded by Mr. Brian Clemens to approve minutes and passed unanimously.

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**FAVOR: ALL
 MOTION CARRIED**

2nd MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Loffredo requested a motion **to table the approval of Sodexo Food Service Contract Renewal.**
 A motion was made by Ms. Maria Mennella and seconded by Ms. Jennifer Baron-Morfea to table the approval of **Sodexo Food Service Contract Renewal** and passed unanimously.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED

3rd MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo asked for a motion to take a ten-minute break at 8:53 p.m. Ms. Maria Mennella made the motion and it was seconded by Bryan Addy and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
 MOTION CARRIED**

4nd MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

The meeting was reconvened at 9:08 p.m.
Ms. Jessica requested a motion **to Approve the Non-Lapsing Account.**

Non-lapsing Account

MOVED that the Rocky Hill Board of Education direct the administration to establish a non-lapsing account, in accordance with Section 7 of Connecticut’s Public Act 24-45, subject to the following conditions:

- Deposits into this account cannot exceed 2% of the prior fiscal year’s education budget;
- Any expenditures from this account may only be used for educational purposes; and
- Any expenses from this account must be authorized by the Board of Education.

A motion was made by Ms. Maria Mennella and seconded by Ms. Amber Tucker to approve **the Non-lapsing Account** and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
 MOTION CARRIED**

5th MOTION Passed Failed Tabled

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion for the **Appointment of the BOE to serve as the search committee to address Interim Superintendent, Superintendent, Director of Human Capital & Leadership Development, and Special Education Supervisor**

MOVED that the Rocky Hill Board of Education appoint its members to serve on a personnel search committee in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-200(7) for the purpose of conducting searches for the following positions:

- Interim Superintendent of Schools
- Superintendent of Schools
- Director of Human Capital and Leadership Development
- Special Education Supervisor

A motion was made by Ms. Maria Mennella and seconded by Ms. Jennifer Baron-Morfea to approve **Appointment of the BOE to serve as the search committee to address Interim Superintendent, Superintendent, Director of Human Capital & Leadership Development, and Special Education Supervisor** and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

6th MOTION Passed Failed Tabled

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion to **adjourn the meeting at 9:53 p.m.** A motion was made by **Ms. Maria Mennella** to **adjourn the meeting at 9:53 p.m.** and seconded by **Ms. Baron-Morfea** and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:53 p.m. TIME DELIVERED TO TOWN CLERK:

Date of BOE Approval: _____ Signature of BOE Secretary: _____