



**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	3/9/2026
LOCATION	RHHS, Auditorium
DATE OF MEETING	March 12, 2026
TIME MEETING STARTED	7:02 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	Jay Chhabra	Brian Clemens
Thomas 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, John Fote, Principal RHHS, David DeCarli, RHHS Asst. Principal, Jessie Herman, Director of Special Education, Dr. Schaefer, Language Arts Coordinator, Thomas Cassello, Interim Principal Moser, Kaitlyn Moore, Interim Asst. Principal Moser.

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

Summary of Meeting

- The Board recognized **Steven Slattery** for his dedicated tenure on the Board of Education. In appreciation of his commitment to the Rocky Hill community, Superintendent **Dr. Zito** and Board Chair **Ms. Loffredo** presented him with a commemorative bell.
- **Rocky Hill Civility Awards:** Four students were honored for demonstrating exceptional character and civility within their schools:
 - **Evan B. & Olivia D.** (Rocky Hill High School)
 - **Christian S. & Amelia C.** (Moser School)
- **Class Size Guidelines:** The Board conducted a **first reading** of proposed changes to the Policy Guidelines regarding class sizes. This initial review opens the floor for future discussion and formal adoption.
- **Read Across America:** **Dr. Mary Schaefer** presented an exciting update on the "One Book, One Author, One Community" Event. This initiative aims to unite the town through a shared reading experience in celebration of Read Across America.

TEXT MOTIONS AND RESULTS VOTES

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

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Ms. Jessica Loffredo at **6:30 p.m.** Ms. Loffredo asked for a motion to go into **Executive Session to discuss the NBT Bus Contract**. Ms. Mennella made the motion to go into **Executive Session to discuss the NBT Bus Contract** and it was seconded by Thomas Cosker and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

2st MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo asked for a motion to come out of Executive Session. Maria Mennella **made the motion to come out of Executive Session** and it was seconded by Thomas Cosker and passed unanimously. No action was taken.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

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

The meeting reconvened at **7:02 p.m.**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion **to take a short recess at 7:45 p.m.** Thomas Cosker made the motion **to take a short recess** and it was seconded by Jay Chhabra and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

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

The meeting reconvened at **7:51 p.m.**

Jessica Loffredo requested a motion **to approve the following minutes:** A motion was made by Maria Mennella and seconded by Brian Clemens to approve minutes and passed unanimously.

- **February 19, 2026 – Board of Education Meeting**
- **March 5, 2026 – Special Meeting**

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

5th MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion to **Adopt the 26-27 Proposed Budget**. Maria Mennella made the motion to **Adopt the 26-27 Proposed Budget of \$60,475,493 at an 8.98 % Increase** and it was seconded by Jennifer Baron-Morfea and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

6th MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion for the **approval of legally mandated revisions to Board of Education Policies: 1100, 3100, 4010, 4020, 4510, 4550, 5110, 5120, 5510, 6110, 6151.**

Maria Mennella made the motion to **approve the revision to Board of Education Policies: 1100, 3100, 4010, 4020, 4510, 4550, 5110, 5120, 5510, 6110, 6151** and it was seconded by Jay Chhabra and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

7th MOTION **Passed** **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion **to approve the NBT Bus Contract**. A motion was made by Maria Mennella to **approve the NBT Bus Contract** & seconded by Jennifer Baron-Morfea and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

8th MOTION

Passed **Failed** **Tabled**

Ms. Jessica Loffredo requested a motion to **adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.** A motion was made by Maria Mennella to **adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.** and seconded by Brian Clemens and passed unanimously.

**FAVOR: ALL
MOTION CARRIED**

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:40 p.m. TIME DELIVERED TO TOWN CLERK:

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