



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

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NAME OF PUBLIC BOARD OR COMMISSION	Board of Education Technology Committee Meeting
DATE MEETING AGENDA POSTED	September 21, 2026
LOCATION	Moser School Media Center
DATE OF MEETING	September 24, 2026
TIME MEETING STARTED	6:07 p.m.
PERSON PREPARING MEETING MINUTES	Sandy Mal, Recording Secretary
VERBATIM NOTES TAKEN	☐ Yes ☒ No
AUDIO/VIDEO/LIVE TRANSMISSION OF MEETING	☐ Yes ☒ No

MEMBERS PRESENT AT MEETING

Ms. Maria Mennella, Committee Chairperson	Ms. Jessica Loffredo, Board Chairperson	Mr. Brian Clemens
ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mark Zito, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Scott Nozik, Asst. Supt. for Finance & Operations, Ms. Wendy Durand, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction, Ms. Danielle Galligan, District Instructional Technology Facilitator, Mr. Chris Guay, Directory of Technology, Mr. Ron Lamontagne, Director of Facilities & Food Services		

NUMBER REQUIRED FOR QUORUM 2 QUORUM PRESENT ☒ Yes ☐ No

TEXT MOTIONS AND RESULTS VOTES

Summary of Meeting

Ms. Maria Mennella, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Mr. Chris Guay presented

1. Achievements, despite fiscal challenges

Pre-spend - Grade 6 & 9 Chromebooks

- Dell Price increases on Chromebook = ~55% June 1 to July 1
- \$180,000 equipment, savings over \$50,000; Arrived before Start of School!

Dell Lease- To – own

- \$239,000 of equipment
- \$7500 in financing charges
- \$70,000 Savings purchasing before July 1st (Arrived before the start of school)

Palo Alto Firewall Renewal Contract

- 26-27 Renewal \$1,000 less with financing
- Estimated 10-15% year over year pricing increases

- Locked in for 3 years at this year's rate

2. 5-year Technology Plan – update

Updated for new E-Rate Cycle/ Current Classroom Technology Standards

- \$513,802 at 50% reimbursement through FY 2030-31
- Network Switching and Wireless

Cost Estimations

Inclusion with Budget Presentation

3. iPad Project Completion – summary

2025-2026 Completion

- 250 iPad, Apple Pencils, Cases, Docking Stations, & Air server Licenses (Deployed in 3 years)
- Certified Staff, Admin, & OT
- Support from District Instructional Technology Facilitator & IT (one to one and/or small group setup support)

2026-2027 Maintenance Mode

- New Certified Staff & Admin
- Exploring Expansion to PT & BCBA
- Support from District Instructional Technology Facilitator & IT (one to one and/or small group setup support)

4. Current Projects

HS A/V Complete

- Interactive Projectors installed (36 this summer)
- Science has new lower-cost SMART panels due to space

UPS Ordered

- Entire room replacement from wish list
- System Backorder but processed

Cameras

- Server purchased with EOY funds before price hikes
- Pending install, consolidation

Software Systems

- ParentSquare, Linkit and ClassLink Enhancements
- Rostering, Intervention & State reporting

5. Industry Snapshot & Discussion for Budgetary Implications

Costs continue to rise

- Data Center Demand
- Tariffs

Trying to Stabilize

Year-Over-Year Budget

- Locking Pricing & Getting Creative
- Purchasing at End of Quarters

6. Update on Artificial Intelligence (A.I.)

Professional Development for Staff 2026-2027

- Magic School A.I. Trainer: GMS & RHHS Certified Staff (August)
- A.I. Committee Meetings: Fall, Winter, & Spring
- Technology PD Day (November)
- The Anxious Generation Book Club: Voluntary
- District Instructional Technology Facilitator: One to one, small group, grade level, and department support

Professional Development for Staff 2026-2027

- Magic School Virtual Trainings: New & Returning Staff
- A.I. Committee Meetings: Fall, Winter, & Spring (Expanding to include reps from all schools)
- Technology PD Day
- The Anxious Generation Book Club: Voluntary
- Screenagers A.I. Film: Exploring screening for families and staff
- District Technology Facilitator: One to one, small group, grade level, and department support

District Approved A.I. Tools

Content & Instructional

- Adobe: image generator
- Discovery Ed: Quiz Creator
- EdPuzzle: Video/PDF Auto-quizzes & grading
- iReady: Voice-enable literacy tasks
- iXL Spark: Quick instructional materials
- SMART Lumio: Student materials
- **NEW Google Gemini & Gemini Notebook (Teacher use only)**

Coding

- Code HS: Custom classes & instant feedback
- Code.org: Interactive A.I. assistant
- **NEW Google Gemini & Gemini Notebook (Teacher use only)**

Admin & Support

- Destiny: A.I. Library reports
- Google Classroom: Quiz & rubric creation, translation
- Grammarly: Teacher use only
- LinkIt: Student database, Teacher use only
- Naviance: Teacher letters & student resumes
- **NEW Google Gemini & Gemini Notebook (Teacher use only)**

Family Engagement Initiatives

- The Anxious Generation Book Club: 4/21/2026, 4/27/2026, 4/29,2026, Dates for 2026-2027 TBD, PTO support
- Screenagers: Generation A.I. Parent Night

Q & A

1st MOTION ☒ Passed ☐ Failed ☐ Tabled

Ms. Maria Mennella asked for a motion to adjourn:

Moved by Ms. Jessica Loffredo, seconded by Mr. Brian Clemens, to adjourn meeting at 7:06 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:06 p.m. TIME DELIVERED TO TOWN CLERK: _____

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