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Regular BOE Meeting
May 5, 2026

Reed Intermediate School Library
3 Trades Lane
Newtown, CT 06470
6:30 PM

As stewards of Newtown Public Schools, we commit to conducting ourselves with honesty, integrity, and respect. Guided by Newtown's Core Values and the Portrait of a Graduate, we will strive to prepare every student to think critically and innovate with curiosity; adapt, persevere, and pursue goals with strategic focus; act with compassion, collaborate across differences, and communicate with clarity. We hold ourselves to the same attributes we seek to instill in our students, embodying them in our work together.

AGENDA

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE
 - A. Profiles in Professionalism
3. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. BOE Minutes from 4/21/26
 - B. Correspondence Report
4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
5. REPORTS
 - A. Chair Report
 - B. Superintendent's Report
 - C. Committee and Liaison reports
 - D. Student Representative Report
6. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Bylaws for Second Read and Approval
 - 9520 - Construction and Posting of Agenda
 - 9521 - Minutes 9630 - Officers
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 - 9522 - Public Meetings & Executive Session
 - 9530 - Quorum and Voting Procedures
 - 9540 - Reimbursement of Board Member Expenses
 - 9523 - Time, Place and Notice of Meetings
 - 9550 - Transaction of Business
 - B. Bylaws to Rescind after Adoption of Items in Section 6A

9323 - Agenda Construction - Meeting Materials
9325.4 - Vote Recording - Minutes
9322 - Public Executive Sessions
9325.1 - Quorum and Voting Procedures
9250 - Remuneration and Reimbursement
9321 - Time, Place and Notifications of Meetings
9325.2 - Order of Business

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Action on Healthy Food Certification

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

9. ADJOURNMENT

***During the first Public Participation, the Board welcomes commentary regarding items on the agenda. After being recognized, please state your name and address for the record. Per Board Policy 9325, we request that speakers be respectful and limit comments to not more than three minutes, and we note that public complaints about employees are not permitted during meetings. All such concerns should instead be submitted to the Superintendent. During the second Public Participation, commentary may address the agenda or may introduce issues for the Board to consider in the future. The Board does not engage in dialogue during either public comment period. If you desire more information or answers to specific questions, please email the Board: NewtownBOE@newtown.k12.ct.us*



**Board of Education
Newtown, Connecticut**

Please Note: These minutes are pending Board approval.

Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held on April 21, 2026
Council Chambers, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT.

Members Present: A. Plante, D. Linnetz, M. Beylouni, J.Vouros (Virtual), D.Ramsey

Members Absent: C.Gilson, S. Tomai

Admin: A. Uberti, Superintendent; F. Purcaro, Assistant Superintendent; T.Gouveia, Director Business

Other: 5 staff, 1 Press, 12 Public

Mrs. Plante called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m

Item 1: Pledge of Allegiance

Item 2: Celebration of Excellence

Sara Wasley and her Reed Intermediate School Pod Cast Club members gave presentations and thanked the PTA and the BOE for supporting this new club at Reed.

Item 3: Consent Agenda

MOTION: Mrs. Beylouni moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Minutes from 4/7/26, the \$500 Donation to the NMS and the Correspondence Report. Seconded by Mr.Ramsey. Motion passes unanimously.

Item 4: Public Participation - None

Item 5: Reports

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Uberti provided a brief overview of key events happening in the district.

- **District Events:** Performances of *Something Rotten Jr.* at NMS and *Willy Wonka Jr.* at Reed will be taking place the next two weekends.
- **Facilities:** Reviewed the April 8th Ad Hoc Facilities Planning Committee meeting. Meetings are scheduled twice monthly through September; agendas and minutes are available online and updates will be provided in the Weekly NPS Newsletter.
- **Budget:** Reminded the public of the Annual Budget Referendum on April 28th at NMS. Polls open from 6 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Committee and Liaison Reports:

Mrs. Plante gave brief updates for CIP projects, including HOM oil tank and driveway replacement, NHS pool resurfacing, and Middle Gate millwork. She also noted that the ongoing NMS air conditioner unit project has 15 units left to install prior to completion.

Student Report:

Updates included the Junior Prom and Earth Day (April 25), AP testing preparation, and the finalization of Senior Spirit Week. New initiatives include "Hawk Bites" (an after-school nutrition program) and a National Honor Society food drive.

Quarterly Financial Report - January-March 31,2026

MOTION: Mrs. Beylouni moved that the Board of Education approve the Quarterly Financial Report. Seconded by Mr. Ramsey.

Tanja Gouveia, Director of Business, presented the Q3 Financial Report, projecting a year-end balance of approximately \$300,000. Key adjustments include:

- Salaries: Decreases in homebound tutors and substitutes, increases in Behavioral Therapists with three new hires
- Operations: Increased custodial overtime due to medical leaves and legal/mediation fees and adjustments
- Transportation: A \$200,000 deficit noted due to increased in and out-of-district needs

Motion passes unanimously.

Item 6: Old Business: None

Item 7: New Business

MOTION: Mrs. Beylouni moved that the Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 Non-Renewal list. Seconded by Mr.Ramsey. Motion passes unanimously.

First read of the 9000 series bylaws. Board members are to submit comments to Mr. Ramsey and Mrs. Linnetz prior to the second read scheduled for May 5th.

Presentation: *NEASC Overview* by Dr.Kim Longobucco

Item 8: Public Participation None

MOTION: Mr.Vouros moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mrs.Linnetz. Motion passes unanimously.

Item 9: Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Ramsey, Secretary