

**New Milford Board of Education
 Special Meeting Minutes and Motions
 March 5, 2026 - 6:00 pm
 Central Office, 25 Sunny Valley Rd., Conference Room 179**

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Present:	Mrs. Leslie Sarich, Chairperson Mrs. Tammy McInerney Mrs. Sarah Herring Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach Mr. Brian McCauley Mr. Joseph Failla Mr. Tom O'Brien Mr. Eric Hansell
Absent:	Mr. Dean Barile
Also Present:	Dr. Janet Parlato, Superintendent Mr. Anthony Giovannone, Director of Fiscal Services Attorney Mark Sommaruga

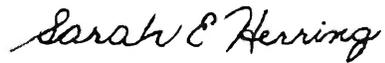
1.	Call to Order The special meeting of the New Milford Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. Leslie Sarich, Chairperson.	Call to Order
2.	Public Comment None	Public Comment
3.	<u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u> A. Discussion and possible action regarding receipt and review of written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion and possible action regarding same. Executive session anticipated. <i>Mrs. Faulenbach moved that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving and reviewing a written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion regarding same. Invited into executive session are</i>	<u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u> A. Discussion and possible action regarding receipt and review of written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion and possible action regarding same. Executive session anticipated. Motion made and approved that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving and reviewing a written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district

<p><i>Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Janet Parlato and Mrs. Anne Bilko, Principal of Sarah Noble Intermediate School. Seconded by Mrs. McInerney. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p><i>Mrs. Faulenbach withdrew her motion.</i></p> <p><i>Mrs. McInerney withdrew her second.</i></p> <p><i>Mrs. Faulenbach moved the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving and reviewing a written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion regarding same. Invited into executive session were Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Janet Parlato, Mrs. Anne Bilko, Principal of Sarah Noble Intermediate School, and Attorney Mark Sommaruga.</i></p> <p><i>The Board entered Executive Session at 6:02pm.</i></p> <p><i>The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:51pm.</i></p> <p><i>Mrs. Faulenbach moved the Board to authorize legal counsel and Dr. Parlato to write a letter to the town attorney on behalf of the Board of Education regarding proper roles and responsibilities pertaining to student discipline, as further discussed in executive session. Seconded by Mrs. McInerney.</i></p>	<p>administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion regarding same. Further invited into executive session were Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Janet Parlato and Mrs. Anne Bilko, Principal of Sarah Noble Intermediate School. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion made and approved that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of receiving and reviewing a written attorney-client privileged communication regarding roles and responsibilities of district administration and local law enforcement in student discipline and related matters and discussion regarding same. Further invited into executive session were Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Janet Parlato, Mrs. Anne Bilko, Principal of Sarah Noble Intermediate School and Attorney Mark Sommaruga. Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion made and approved for the Board to authorize legal counsel and Dr. Parlato to write a letter to the town attorney on behalf of the Board of Education regarding proper roles and responsibilities pertaining to student discipline, as</p>
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		further discussed in executive session. Motion passed unanimously.
4.	Adjourn <i>Mrs. Faulenbach moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m., seconded by Mr. O'Brien.</i>	Adjourn <i>Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m.</i>

Respectfully submitted:



Sarah Herring
Secretary
New Milford Board of Education