

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD MEETING MINUTES (CONCISE)

In compliance with Connecticut General Statutes regarding minutes of meetings, the following will be used to record information during all public meetings that take place. Motion 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: Wethersfield Board of Education

DATE MEETING AGENDA POSTED: November 20, 2025

LOCATION:

Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109

The regular session meeting was live streamed on COX channel 16 or Frontier channel 6101, or the YouTube® Channel, “Wethersfield Government Access TV” by using the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfuf-C0gYVVxmD5iIfTnsQ>

DATE OF MEETING: November 25, 2025

TIME MEETING STARTED: 7:00 p.m.

PERSON PREPARING MEETING MINUTES: Ellen Goslicki

NOTES TAKEN: Yes **AUDIO, VIDEO, OR LIVE TRANSMISSION OF MEETING:** Yes

MEMBERS PRESENT AT MEETING:

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| 1. Marjorie Callan Carson | 6. Mindy Gold |
| 2. Charles T. Carey | 7. James Reilly |
| 3. Gabby DiBacco | 8. Matt Laccavole Vice Chairperson-Secretary |
| 4. Janice Di Roberts | 9. Bobbie Hughes Granato Chairperson |
| 5. Amanda Drew | |

Also present were Superintendent of Wethersfield Public Schools, Jeff Wihbey; WPS Director of Finance and Operations, Matt Kozaka; WPS Director of Special Education, John Karzar; WHS Principal, Siobhan O’Connor; WHS Assistant Principal, Stephanie Hasler; WHS Assistant Principal, Tyler Webb; SDMS Principal, Tara Yusko; SDMS Assistant Principal, Scott Voisine; Charles Wright School Principal, Dr. David Huber; Emerson-Williams School Principal, Neela Thakur; Highcrest School Principal, Kris DeLeo; Webb School Principal, Ken Craig; SDMS Teacher, Annelise Hurlbut; WHS Student Representative, Anushka Gandhi; and SDMS student presenters. Members of the public were also present.

NUMBER REQUIRED FOR QUORUM: 5

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

TEXT MOTION AND RESULTS VOTES:

1st MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a. November 11, 2025 - Board of Education Regular Session Meeting

Mr. Laccavole MOVED to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Regular Session Meeting of November 11, 2025, as submitted. The motion was SECONDED by Ms. DiBacco and VOTED unanimously.

2nd MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

b. November 20, 2025 - Board of Education Special Session Meeting

Ms. Callan Carson MOVED to approve the minutes of the Board of Education Regular Session Meeting of November 20, 2025, as submitted. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Drew and VOTED unanimously.

3rd MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

6. Action Items

a. Recommended Motion: Approval of the Revised 2025-2026 Board of Education Calendar

Ms. Gold MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the revisions made to the 2025-2026 Regular Meeting Calendar of the Board of Education.

The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts.

Discussion: Superintendent Wihbey commented. The motion was VOTED unanimously.

4th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

6. Action Items

b. Recommended Motion: Approval of the 2026-2027 Regular Meeting Schedule of the Board of Education

Ms. DiBacco MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education approve the regular meeting calendar for the 2026-2027 school year. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts.

Discussion: Superintendent Wihbey, Mrs. Granato, Mrs. Drew, Mr. Laccavole, Mrs. Di Roberts, and Mr. Reilly commented. The motion was VOTED unanimously.

5th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

12. Proposed for Executive Session

Mrs. Granato MOVED to leave public session and enter into an Executive Session at approximately 9:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing and approving the recommendations of the Superintendent regarding the hiring of the Director of Teaching, Learning & Curriculum for Wethersfield Public Schools, and to invite into Executive Session Superintendent Wihbey, the candidate, and Assistant Superintendent Miller. The motion was SECONDED by Mrs. Di Roberts and VOTED unanimously.

Present for executive session:

Wethersfield Board of Education Members:

M. Callan Carson, C. Carey, G. DiBacco, J. Di Roberts,
A. Drew, M. Gold, B. Granato, M. Laccavole, J. Reilly

Administrators: J. Wihbey; J. Frese-Miller

Others: candidates

6th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

Mrs. Granato MOVED to leave executive session and re-enter public session at 9:40 p.m.
The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Callan Carson and VOTED unanimously.

7th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

Mrs. Granato MOVED that the Wethersfield Board of Education accept Superintendent Wihbey's recommendation to appoint Cynthia Callahan as the Director of Teaching, Learning, & Curriculum for Wethersfield Public Schools, pending all required approvals and clearances.
The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Callan Carson. Discussion ensued.
The motion was VOTED unanimously.

8th MOTION: X Passed Failed Tabled

13. Adjournment

Mrs. Granato MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:56p.m.
The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Reilly and VOTED unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Laccavole, Vice-Chairperson – Secretary

Minutes Recorded by Ellen Goslicki, Recording Secretary

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:56 p.m.

TIME EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED: (Executive Session duration: 9:15 p.m. – 9:56 p.m.)

TIME DELIVERED TO TOWN CLERK: