

WELCOME TO THE MEETING



The Board of Education of the City School District of New Rochelle welcomes residents, staff members, students, parents/guardians and other interested individuals to all its meetings.

The decisions made at these meetings cover a broad range of topics, including curriculum review, evaluation of current programs, approval of personnel decisions and recommendations, and all financial matters affecting the School District. All of these decisions are important because they affect the education of our children and the well-being of the entire community.

The Board can better represent its constituents when members of the community take the time to observe the Board in action and to engage with members of the Board and the School District Administration on matters of public concern. School board meetings are meetings of the Board of Education that are required to take place in public; however, they are not actually meetings of the public. Rather, they are business meetings held to conduct Board business.

AGENDA

Copies of the agenda, outlining the order of business for each meeting, are available to staff and the public at the School Board meetings. The agenda also is posted in BoardDocs prior to each meeting. The link is <http://www.boarddocs.com/ny/nred/Board.nsf/Public>.

Agendas and supporting documents are forwarded to Board members in advance of each meeting in order to allow sufficient time for review.

During the Regular Meeting, it may appear as if some items are being voted upon with little or no discussion; however, all voting items will have been reviewed in advance by the Board. Some items also may have appeared on a previous agenda, or may have been discussed at length at a previous C.O.W. Session, Special Meeting or Executive Session.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

The primary job of the elected Board of Education is to establish policies regarding the educational program and the management of the School District.

Other responsibilities of the Board include:

- Long-range planning for the District and approval of annual goals and objectives
- Appointing all District personnel to meet the goals
- Proposing an annual School District budget to the voters, consistent with educational needs and community resources, and overseeing its expenditures
- Evaluating the effectiveness of District programs and services
- Establishing conditions for sustained leadership that advance the School District toward excellence and equity
- Negotiating employment agreements with the staff's bargaining units
- Communicating the needs and progress of the District to the community, to educational governing boards and to legislators
- Selecting the Superintendent of Schools

No person or group of persons acts in the name of the Board. All motions require a majority vote—five (5)—before the Board can act. A Board member is in an official capacity only during an official Board meeting.

The President of the Board of Education is the spokesperson for the Board.

WHAT IS A BOARD OF EDUCATION?

The Board of Education is composed of nine members, elected at-large by individuals registered to vote in the District. Board members serve five-year terms of office. School Board members receive no salary or other compensation for their services.

The Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote takes place on the third Tuesday in May, as per New York State Education Law.

The Members of the Board of Education for the 2019-2020 school year are:

<u>BOARD MEMBER</u>	<u>E-MAIL</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Amy Moselhi, <i>President</i>	amoselhi@nredlearn.org	2022
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Christopher Daniello.....	cdaniello@nredlearn.org	2020
William Iannuzzi.....	williamiannuzzi@nredlearn.org	2024
Todd Kern.....	tkern@nredlearn.org	2021
Lianne Merchant.....	lmerchant@nredlearn.org	2020
Julia Muggia Ochs.....	juliaochs@nredlearn.org	2023
Rachel Relkin.....	rrelkin@nredlearn.org	2021
Valarie D. Williams.....	vwilliams@nredlearn.org	2024



2019-2020 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

Pictured Above, Seated Left to Right: Lianne Merchant, Dr. Laura Feijóo, *Superintendent of Schools*, Amy Moselhi, *President*, Paul Warhit, *Vice President*, Lisdalia I. Saraiva, *District Clerk*,

Pictured Above, Standing Left to Right: Valarie D. Williams (*term commenced on 7/1/2019*), Christopher Daniello, Todd Kern, Rachel Relkin, Julia Muggia Ochs, William Iannuzzi, (*term commenced on 7/1/2019*)

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The Superintendent of Schools, selected by the Board of Education, serves as Chief Executive Officer of the School District. The Superintendent is responsible for supervising implementation of the written policies established by the Board, supervising all educational programs within the purview of the Board and day-to-day operation of the school system. The Superintendent advises the Board on all matters related to the effective management of the schools.

QUESTIONS



Information regarding specific aspects of a particular school's programs may be obtained by contacting the student's teacher or the School Principal. Information on a district-wide program or a special concern may be obtained by contacting the District Office Administrative staff. Persons who believe that they have information bearing on possible improper conduct by any employee or officer of the School District are requested to bring such information, in writing, to the attention of the Superintendent of Schools or the President of the Board of Education.

HOW SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS ARE CONDUCTED



School Board meetings, except Executive Sessions, are held in public.

Meeting dates and locations are listed in this brochure, on the school calendar, Cable TV channel 77 (Optimum) and channel 30 (FIOS), posted on the District website, www.nred.org, and posted in BoardDocs, <http://www.boarddocs.com/ny/nred/Board.nsf/Public>.

REGULAR MEETINGS usually are held at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month. Board Members take official action by voting to approve resolutions on all pending items of business that fall within their responsibilities.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SESSIONS (C.O.W.) usually are held at 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month, except in July and August. The Board considers staff reports on current or new educational programs, major policy areas, broad financial issues, and similar topics. These sessions emphasize review and discussion. The Board does not take formal action at these meetings.

SPECIAL MEETINGS are held when it is necessary for the Board to take action on a matter before the Regular monthly meeting is to be held. Announcement of a Special Meeting is made at least 24 hours before the meeting is scheduled. Special Meetings are open to the public, and the public may observe deliberations, but may not participate.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS are held only when the Board needs to discuss a confidential matter as defined in the State's Open Meetings Law. These items include matters concerning individual personnel; labor and other contract negotiations; status of proposed, pending or current litigation; matters which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer; matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed; the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property; or the proposed acquisition or the sale or exchange of securities. Executive Sessions are closed to the public.

SCHOOL BUDGET COMMUNITY FORUM and REVIEW SESSIONS usually are held in late winter through early spring for community input in the presentation of the Superintendent's preliminary budget and analysis by the Board. The budget review sessions are held at New Rochelle High School.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET must be held no more than 14 days nor less than 7 days before the Budget Vote. During the Public Hearing, the Board may make a brief presentation, but the primary focus of the meeting is hearing comments from the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Business meetings of the Board of Education are open to the public but are not public meetings. The Board encourages members of the public not only to attend Board meetings, but also to express their views as to matters affecting the School District. A time for public comment will be provided on Regular Meeting agendas. A School District resident who wishes to speak at a Regular Meeting should contact the District Clerk no later than 3:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting and indicate his/her intention to speak with an identification of the topic which he/she wishes to address. These residents will be called upon during the first part of the scheduled public comment section of the agenda. Other residents who wish to address the Board will be invited to do so at the conclusion of the first part of the scheduled public comment section. Individuals are not permitted to cede their time to other speakers. When speaking at meetings, please state your full name and address, and the name of the organization if speaking as a representative in that capacity. Scheduled speakers may speak for three minutes on their pre-announced topic; however, it will be the prerogative of the President of the Board of Education to establish limitations on non-scheduled speakers, as time availability and numbers of residents wishing to speak dictate.

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

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SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS - Please Come Again!

Tuesday, July 2, 2019.....Organizational Mtg..6 PM.....Central Admin.
Tuesday, Aug. 6 2019.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Central Admin.
Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...NRHS - LEK Theater
Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2019.....C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Central Admin.
Monday, Oct. 7, 2019.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Central Admin.
Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2019.....C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM).....Boys' & Girls' Club of New Rochelle, Remington Unit, Gymnasium, 116 Guion Place, New Rochelle
Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...ALMS
Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2019.....C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Webster
Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2019.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...IEYMS
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2019...C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...NRHS - LEK Theater
Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Central Admin.
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2020.....C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Trinity
Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2020.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Columbus
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020.....C.O.W. Session...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Davis
Tuesday, Mar. 3, 2020.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Jefferson
Tuesday, Mar. 31, 2020.....Special Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Barnard
Tuesday, April 14, 2020.....Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Ward
Tuesday, April 21, 2020...Special Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...NRHS - LEK Theater - Hosted by Campus School
Tuesday, May 5, 2020...Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes after Public Hearing)...RHS Library
Tuesday, May 5, 2020....Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 Proposed School Budget...7 PM....NRHS Library
Tuesday, May 19, 2020.....Annual District Meeting ...Polls Open 7 AM-9 PM...at Various Polling Sites
Wednesday, May 20, 2020.....C.O.W. Session...7:45 PM.....Central Admin.
Tuesday, June 2, 2020...Regular Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...NRHS - LEK Theater
Tuesday, June 16, 2020.....Special Meeting...6 PM (Public Session reconvenes at 7 PM)...Central Admin.
Tuesday, July 7, 2020.....Organizational Mtg...7 PM.....Central Admin

Occasionally, it is necessary to change the date of a meeting or hold additional meetings. For the most up-to-date information on meetings and other events of interest concerning our schools, please visit the School District website, www.nred.org, or call the District Clerk's office, (914) 576-4219.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

At all Regular Meetings, the order of business is as follows:



- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Accepting Minutes
- V. Board Member Announcements
- VI. Superintendent's Report
 1. Superintendent's Update
 2. Responses to Inquiries
- VII. Discussion
- VIII. Committee and Liaison Reports
- IX. Public Comment
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjournment

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MISSION STATEMENT

The City School District of New Rochelle, through an active partnership amongst community, parents, staff and students, will provide a high-quality and challenging education for every child, in a safe, nurturing environment that embraces our rich diversity and drives our success.