

Suffield, Connecticut

Approved by Bd. of Ed.

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Suffield by the River Conference Room
October 19, 2026

Call to Order

Board Chair Sattan called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Present: Board members Debra Dudack, Melissa Finnigan, Brian Fry, James Mol, Dustin Rose, Gianna Rossi, Maureen Sattan, Greg Sparzo, and Sam Toskin; and Superintendent Matt Dunbar, Assistant Superintendent Laura Norbut, and Business Manager Eric Remington

Board of Education Retreat

A. Team Building Activity

Board members participated in team-building activities, including a prioritization exercise designed to explore individual perspectives on district issues and priorities, and discussions regarding effective Tier 1 instruction and connections to student learning experiences.

B. Review and Discussion of Board of Education Goals and Priorities

Board members briefly reviewed the existing Board of Education goals and priorities.

C. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided an update on the Middle School project, including potential cost-saving opportunities, space waivers, state reimbursement considerations, and the impact of affordable housing. Discussion also included opportunities to reduce the Town's share of the project.

D. Reflections and Questions

Board members were provided an opportunity to share reflections and ask questions regarding the retreat discussions.

Sam Toskin left the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Adjournment

Sattan moved, Fry seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. All members voted in favor.

Minutes are subject to approval at the regular meeting of November 2, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Gianna Rossi
Secretary