

Colchester School District

Board of Education Meeting
Central Office - 59 Rathe Rd

Tuesday, July 21, 2026
5:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

The Colchester Board of Education held a special board meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, in the Central Office Conference Room. Board Directors in attendance virtually were Lindsey Cox, Nic Longo, Ben Yousey-Hindes, and Laurie Kigonya. Administrators and employees in attendance were Superintendent Amy Minor and Chief Financial and Operations Officer George Trieb.

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Lindsey Cox called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

II. Approval of Bond Documents

Action

The board met to approve the next loan of the bond agreement.

Director Kigonya moved to authorize the school district to sign the necessary bond documents as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

Action

The board reviewed the following items on the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA										
Board Meeting Date 7.21.26 REVISED										
<i>Licensed Employees (Teacher/Administrator)</i>										
Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	Hours/Wk	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Budgeted	Admin Support
Nurse	Mary	Gwozdz	New Hire	School Nurse	1.0	UMS	Request to Hire	Lindsey Campion	Yes	Yes
<i>Non-Licensed Employees (Support Staff), Board Approval Required</i>										
Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	Hours/Wk	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Budgeted	Admin Support
<i>Non-Licensed Employees (Support Staff), Informational</i>										
Contract Type	First Name	Last Name	Category	Position	Hours/Wk	Building	Agenda Information	Person Replacing	Budgeted	Admin Support
Support Staff	Marissa	Landry	New Hire	Administrative Assistant II	40	MBS	Notice of Hire	Krista Ploof	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Onyx	Johnson	Resignation	Behavior Interventionist	35	MBS	Notice of Resignation			
Co- Curricular	Melanie	Hurlbut	New Hire	Asst Field Hockey Coach	Coach	CHS	Notice of Hire	Alexina Richard	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Janet	Astore	Transfer	ML Paraeducator	32.5	CHS	Notice of Transfer	Ann Carol Moffett	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Catherine	Ott	New Hire	ML Paraeducator	32.5	CHS	Notice of Hire	Nathan Colgrove	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Amy	Flick	Resignation	ML Paraeducator	32.5	UMS	Notice of Resignation			
Support Staff	Madison	Denton	New Hire	Behavior Interventionist	35	PPS	Notice of Hire	Brittany Cresta	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Philippa	Cox-Stavros	New Hire	Paraeducator	32.5	CHS	Notice of Hire	Logan Spicer	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Rebecca	Johnson	New Hire	Paraeducator	32.5	PPS	Notice of Hire	Michelle Norton	Yes	Yes
Support Staff	Leah	Livernois	New Hire	Paraeducator	32.5	PPS	Notice of Hire	Cheryl Callahan	Yes	Yes
Co- Curricular	Leslie	Pippin-Tepper	New Hire	Field Hockey B Team Coach	Coach	CMS	Notice of Hire	Carrie Macedonia	Yes	Yes
Co- Curricular	Tori	Cioffi	New Hire	Girls A Team Soccer	Coach	CMS	Notice of Hire	Brian Wood	Yes	Yes
Co- Curricular	Yona	Simonson	New Hire	Musical Accompanist (Fall Drama)	Accompanist	CHS	Notice of Hire	Ryan Spooner	Yes	Yes
Teacher	Nicole	Deorsey	Nullification	Special Educator	1.0	CHS	Notice of Voided Contract			Yes
Support Staff	Gillian	Dukette	Resignation	Food Service Worker	32.5	CHS	Notice of Resignation			

Director Yousey-Hindes moved to approve the consent agenda as provided. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Action

Director Yousey-Hindes moved to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2026 general meeting, and the June 24, 2026 and July 7, 2027 special meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Proposed Executive Session

Action

Director Yousey-Hindes moved to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations at 5:16 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Adjournment

Director Yousey-Hines moved to exit executive session at 5:22 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Longo moved to adjourn at 5:23 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Gabrielle Brooks
Recording Secretary

Ben Yousey-Hindes
Board Clerk