

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 20  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 19, 2026

1. Call to Order The Board of Education meeting held at Litchfield Intermediate School and via teleconference was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Tiffany Parkhouse.

Members present: Tiffany Parkhouse, Chair, Ashley Westfall, Vice Chair, Ashley Hall Daddona, Secretary, John Morosani, Treasurer, Krista Rizzo, Susan Wheeler, Margaret Hunt, Kara Cruoglio, Diane Barnes, Scott Pottbecker, Billie Jean Sideris, and Rob DeLayo. Also present: Jeffrey Villar, Ph.D., Superintendent, and Julia Cardillo, Chief Financial Officer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance Tiffany Parkhouse invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Committee Reports

Tiffany Parkhouse commented that the Joint Finance Committee and Board of Education continue to meet regarding the FY27 Budget and have reviewed Categories 1 through 4. The Committee and Board will meet next week with the goal of reviewing the remaining four categories.

Ashley Westfall shared that the Policy Committee met earlier in the week and read aloud the policies that would move forward to the full Board for First Read at its next meeting.

4. Chairman's Report & Update

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

- February 26 - Litchfield Intermediate School - Budget Workshop - 5:30 p.m.
- March 12 - Litchfield Intermediate School - 7:00 p.m.
- March 26 – Lakeview High School – 7:00 p.m.
- April 2 - Lakeview High School - Budget Workshop - 5:30 p.m.
- April 9 – Lakeview High School – 7:00 p.m.
- April 20 - Lakeview High School - 7:00 p.m. (Budget Hearing Presentation)
- May 4 – Lakeview High School – 7:00 p.m. (Budget Meeting - Vote)

*(All meetings will have a remote option)*

Tiffany Parkhouse commented the regular Board Meetings are listed on the agenda and believes we are on track to come forward with a finalized budget by April. Tiffany Parkhouse also reminded the community that budget documents can be found on the district website (pop-up box on the main page).

5. Consent Agenda

5.1.1 Board of Education Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2026

5.1.2 Out of State Field Trip - Saratoga Springs, NY - L. Bennett

5.1.3 One Year Unpaid Leave of Absences (Personal/Family, 2026-2027) - R Cammarere-Lakeview High School

**John Morosani made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Items 5.1.1 through 5.1.3. Susan Wheeler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.**

6. Superintendent Update

Dr. Villar shared there was an update to the platform that hosts the district website that resulted in a change in icons. For those looking to view meeting recordings the Google symbol has been replaced with a blue square. The recording files are being updated by editing the file name and adding the word recording. He also mentioned Christine Rosa, the library media specialist at Plumb Hill Middle School, has been selected as the Connecticut Southern New England Rosen Publishing School Librarian of the Month for January 2026.

### 6.1 Student Reports

Jameson McTamney, Class of 2027 President, Juana Pena, FFA Vice President, and Becca Furlong, FFA Parliamentarian gave updates on student and ASTE events and activities at Lakeview High School.

## 7. Finance Update

### 7.1 FY26 Finance Report

Julia Cardillo presented the FY26 Finance Report as of February 11, 2026, commenting on an RFP being released within the next day for a water filtration system at Goshen Center School, anticipating the district will end the year with a surplus, and will likely need to bring forward additional budget transfer requests at a future meeting.

## 8. Public Comment

Individuals offering public comment should please state their first and last name and the town where they reside. Remarks should be limited to no more than three minutes. A maximum time limit of 30 minutes will be allocated for public comment at any one meeting. Individuals representing a common interest or topic may be asked to have one individual speak for the group. Public comments must be relevant to the meeting's agenda. Speakers shall direct all comments to the Board, not to individual BOE members or administrators. Profane or vulgar language, partisan political statements, and comments related to the conduct or performance of staff are not permitted. Public comment is received without Board comment or response, the Board is to keep comments “under advisement.” However, BOE members may seek clarification or additional information from speakers through the Chairman.

Becky Hubschman, Goshen, spoke about her personal experience. She commented that her child receives special services at school. If her child, or students in similar situations like her child, received support from an interventionist in the elementary schools, they might not need these extra costly special services.

## 9. Action Items

### 9.1.1 Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Grant & Donations - Policy 3280 Gifts, Grants, Bequests

**Ashley Westfall made a motion to Accept Grant & Donations - Policy 3280 Gifts, Grants, Bequests. John Morosani seconded the motion.**

Dr. Villar read aloud the details of the donation supported from the Charlie Staub Scholarship Fund. During discussion, John Morosani commented he knew Charlie who very tragically passed away about five years ago and cannot think of a better way to honor his memory and to have his commitment to life be passed on here. A “logistic” question was asked on whether the Board needs to know the amount of the donation. Tiffany Parkhouse commented approving the donation would be sufficient at this point.

Tiffany Parkhouse called for a vote.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

10. Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Board, **John Morosani made a motion to adjourn. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.** The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Escobar  
Secretary, pro-tem