

NEW MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
New Milford Public Schools
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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**

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NEW MILFORD, CT

DATE: December 15, 2011
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
PLACE: Lillis Administration Building - Boardroom

AGENDA

New Milford Public Schools Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, educators, family, and community, is to prepare each and every student to compete and excel in an ever-changing world, embrace challenges with vigor, respect and appreciate the worth of every human being, and contribute to society by providing effective instruction and dynamic curriculum, offering a wide range of valuable experiences, and inspiring students to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board welcomes Public Participation and asks that speakers please limit their comments to three minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of items on this agenda. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, nor against any person connected with the New Milford Public School System.

3. **DISCUSSION**

A. Presentation/discussion by Board of Education attorneys on Board members' roles and responsibilities and related legal issues.

4. **ADJOURN**

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NEW MILFORD, CT

Present: Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach, Chairperson
Mr. Tom Brant
Mr. Daniel Nichols
Mrs. Lynette Celli Rigdon
Mr. David Shaffer
Mrs. Daniele Shook (6:08 p.m.)
Mr. William Wellman

Absent: Mr. David Lawson
Mr. Thomas McSherry

Also Present: Dr. JeanAnn C. Paddyfote, Superintendent of Schools

1.	<p>Call to Order A. Pledge of Allegiance The Special Meeting of the New Milford Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. Faulenbach. The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed the call to order.</p>	<p>Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance</p>
2.	<p>Public Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	<p>Public Comment</p>
3.	<p>Discussion</p> <p>A. Presentation/discussion by Board of Education attorneys on Board members' roles and responsibilities and related legal issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Faulenbach introduced Board attorneys Mike McKeon and Roseann Padula of Sullivan, Schoen, Campana and Connon who were present to provide general information to the Board as well as answer any questions. Mrs. Faulenbach suggested the members use the meeting as an informal workshop, so to speak. • Mr. McKeon and Ms. Padula distributed handouts to the Board designed to provide insight into the roles of the Board of Education and administration. 	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Presentation/discussion by Board of Education attorneys on Board members' roles and responsibilities and related legal issues.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They described the scope of the legal services they provide to the Board, the scope of the Board’s authority and possible liability issues that may arise over time. • Board members asked questions on various topics of interest. • Mr. McKeon and Ms. Padula stressed that they are here to support the Board in all ways. • Mrs. Faulenbach thanked them on behalf of the Board for all the information they provided this evening. 	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>Mr. Nichols moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Celli Rigdon and passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.</p>

Respectfully submitted:



Daniele Shook, Secretary
 New Milford Board of Education