



Sullivan County

Human Resources Committee

Meeting Minutes - Final

Chair Amanda Ward
Vice Chair Brian McPhillips
Committee Member Terry Blosser-Bernardo
Committee Member Catherine Scott
Committee Member Luis Alvarez

Thursday, June 11, 2026

9:00 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Ward called the Human Resources Committee to order at 9:05am.

Roll Call

Present: Amanda Ward, Brian McPhillips, Terry Blosser-Bernardo, Catherine Scott and Luis Alvarez

1. Future Healers of Tomorrow - BOCES New Visions Students

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) in Sullivan County

[ID-8455](#)

Gabriela Almonte, Sydney Robinson and Aminah Nassor presented the Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome in Sullivan County, New York.

Gabriela, Sydney and Aminah received Certificates of Special Recognition from the Sullivan County Legislature.

Chair Ward stated she was very proud of Gabriela Almonte.

Student Homelessness Presentation

[ID-8456](#)

Attachments: [Student Homelessness in Sullivan County](#)

Sheyla Anguisaca-Llanos and Gavin Shupe gave a presentation on Student Homelessness.

Sheyla and Gavin also received Certificates of Special Recognition from the Sullivan County Legislature.

Reports:

Nicholas Salomone, Matt McPhillips, Joseph Perrello, Nadia Rajsz

Joshua Potossek, Michelle Bowers, Dan Hust, Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz, Lorne Green, Kathleen Lara, Julie Diescher, Christopher Knapp

Ken Walter, Martin Colavito, Dorothy Sanchez, Lise Kennedy, Judy Balaban, Lou Setren, Chris Lesser, Patrick of River Reporter, Matt of the Democrat and Kim of WJFF

1. Division of Human Resources**Discussion:****Public Comment**

1. Ken Walter made a public comment.
2. Lise Kennedy made a public comment.
3. Martin Colavito made a public comment.

At this point, Brian McPhillips left the meeting at 9:52am and returned at 9:54am.

4. Judy Balaban made a public comment.

At this point, Terry Blosser-Bernardo left the meeting at 10:09am.

5. Lou Setren made a public comment.

At this point, Luis Alvarez left the meeting at 10:19am and returned at 10:20am.

Lise Kennedy Public Comment

[ID-8453](#)

Resolutions:

1. Authorize an Internship Partnership Program with SUNY Sullivan

[ID-8428](#)

Attachments: [Proposed Resolution - SUNY Sullivan Internship 5.15.26- HR Internship SullCoLeg](#)

Chair Ward stated that this resolution is being pulled. It will be to Authorize a Work Study Partnership Program with SUNY Sullivan.

2. RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO MODIFY RESOLUTION NUMBER 77-26 REFLECTING CORRECTED EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF NOVARA CONTRACT

[ID-8395](#)

Attachments: [Resolution #77-26](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by Vice Chairman Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 6/18/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairwoman Ward, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 5 Legislator Scott and District 6 Legislator Alvarez

Absent: District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

Adjourn

There being no further business, Brian McPhillips moved to adjourn, seconded by Luis Alvarez. The Human Resources Committee was adjourned at 10:36am