

NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Ashby – Pepperell – Townsend, Massachusetts

POLICY REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, June 17, 2014
Educational Support Center

PRESENT

Chairperson	Randee Rusch	Member, At Large
	Anne Adams	Member, Pepperell
	Susan Robbins	Member, Townsend

ALSO PRESENT

Nancy Haines	Business Manager
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The meeting was called to order at 9:24 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Anne Adams and seconded by Susan Robbins to approve the June 3, 2014 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Policy EEAG Student Transportation in Private Vehicles- Randee Rusch reported that she spoke M. Gilbert at MASC regarding signed waiver. Mr. Gilbert indicated that as long as there is a signed waiver on file, the district is not liable, with the exception of students driving students which is prohibited. The subcommittee discussed what other school districts are doing. Research appears to indicate that some districts are not allowing any use of private vehicles while others use the MASC policy (with \$100,000/\$300,000 coverage). The Athletic Director is researching use of a multi-purpose vehicle. The subcommittee discussed conducting a survey and checking with principals on clubs and school groups/teams that might be affected by a change in policy. Nancy Haines will gather policies and forward to the subcommittee. Randee Rusch will discuss with Supt. sending out a survey.
2. Policy GBEC Drug Free Workplace Policy – The subcommittee discussed the current policy language. Subcommittee members questioned if the district has a drug free awareness program. If not, are we required to have a program? No action was taken by the subcommittee. Further information will be obtained for the next meeting.
3. Policy ADDA Background Checks – The subcommittee discussed the language in the MASC policy on background checks and the new fingerprinting requirement. Subcommittee members questioned if the district is required to have a policy on fingerprinting. Randee Rusch will check with MASC on requirements and report back at the next meeting.
4. Policy GBI Staff Participation in Political Activities – A brief discussion on the policy ensued. Anne Adams shared Concord-Carlisle & Whittier Regional Vocational/Technical policies. No action was taken by the subcommittee. The subcommittee agreed to discuss further at the next meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: July 8th @ 9:00 AM

TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETING

- Social Media Policy
- Curriculum Changes - Definition & roles and responsibilities of school committee relating to curriculum

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Susan Robbins and seconded by Anne Adams to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously..

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Landry, Secretary