



NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE
Ashby – Pepperell – Townsend, Massachusetts

MINUTES – April 27, 2022
Virtual

PRESENT

Chairperson	Randee Rusch	Member, Townsend
	Michael Morgan	Member, Pepperell ~ Absent
	Lisa Martin	Member, Pepperell
	June McNeil	Member, Ashby
	Brad Morgan	Superintendent of Schools
	Nancy Haines	Business Manager
	Robin Eibye	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

- Chairperson, Randee Rusch, opened the meeting at 10:01 a.m. and announced the committee was meeting in a virtual setting, fully remote via teleconferencing, practicing social distancing, and in accordance with the Governor’s suspension of specific open meeting laws.
- Roll Call

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Michael Morgan	-	June McNeil	Yes
Brad Morgan	Yes	Robin Eibye	Yes
Nancy Haines	Yes		

MINUTES

Following review, Lisa Martin motioned, and June McNeil seconded to approve the minutes dated April 13, 2022, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Michael Morgan	-	June McNeil	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed 3/0/0.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Regional Agreement

- The committee reviewed the Regional Agreement Capital Cost Apportionment document, and a discussion ensued about enrollments, district-wide programs, intradistrict, cost apportionment, minimum enrollment, and consistency in assessments.
- June McNeil asked what differentiates Capital Costs from Maintenance. Nancy Haines read from the Regional Agreement.
- The committee discussed assessments, operating costs, and the stabilization fund.
- A discussion ensued about hiring a consultant to help with rewriting the Regional Agreement.
- Present the Regional Agreement Capital Cost Apportionment document to the towns for review in advance of the Policy – Regional Agreement meeting on May 11, 2022.
- The committee agreed the draft agreement should be marked “Working DRAFT.” A
- Present the agreement at the fall Town Meeting for approval.
- The committee discussed repairs to Ashby Elementary School and the approval process. Ms. Rusch said the School Committee would talk with the Ashby representatives to understand their appetite to fund the project.
- A discussion ensued about a feasibility study and MSBA funding.
- Ms. Haines noted that the Ashby Elementary School lease had expired.

Lisa Martin motioned, and June McNeil seconded to send the regional agreement working draft document and the Regional Agreement Capital Cost Apportionment working draft document to the towns for review in advance of the Policy – Regional Agreement meeting on May 11, 2022.

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Michael Morgan	-	June McNeil	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed 3/0/0.

FIVE YEAR REVIEW CYCLE POLICIES

1. JLCD Administering of Medication in School

Lisa Martin motioned, and June McNeil seconded to recommend the School Committee approve policy JLCD Administering of Medication in School for a first reading as amended.

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Michael Morgan	-	June McNeil	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed 3/0/0.

The committee confirmed the next meeting would take place on May 11, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

June McNeil motioned, and Lisa Martin seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Roll Call Vote:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Lisa Martin	Yes
Michael Morgan	-	June McNeil	Yes

Vote: The motion unanimously passed. 3/0/0

Documents Reviewed / Referred To:

- 2022 04-27 Policy Subcommittee Agenda
- Minutes dated: April 13, 2022
- Regional Agreement
- Regional Agreement Capital Cost Assessment Options
- Regional Agreement Capital Cost Apportionment
- JLCD Administering of Medication in School

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Eibye, Recording Secretary

APPROVED: May 11, 2022
