

Present: Court Booth, Sara Wilson, Cynthia Rainey, Laurie Hunter

1. Mr. Booth called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.
2. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey, seconded by Ms. Wilson, to approve the minutes from 2/27/20. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call: Wilson, aye; Rainey, aye; Booth, aye.
3. Policies Reviewed:

File: EBC: Supplemental – Mr. Booth reviewed the new policy created by MASC due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Subcommittee agreed on a few word changes. The policy will be brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: IHBHE – Remote Learning - The Subcommittee reviewed the MASC policy and agreed to bring it to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: IHBHE-E – Remote Learning Addendum – Although it seemed more operational in nature, the Subcommittee agreed to bring the policy to the School Committee for a first reading. The Subcommittee agreed upon adding the wording of “during the period designated as an emergency by the Governor”.

File: EBCFA – Face Coverings – The Subcommittee agreed on a few changes to MASC’s policy and to bring the policy to the School Committee for a first reading.

Mr. Booth noted several other policies to be reviewed due to the current pandemic. He stated that Subcommittee also needs to return to the previous work on the Civil Rights/Hate Speech policy that was being discussed prior to the pandemic. Regarding Gender Identity, he stated that the Subcommittee was reviewing the rights and roles of parents in a child’s expression in the school. Dr. Hunter noted that she did follow up with Ms. Presser from MASC, who confirmed that a parent has to agree to a legal name change, but a student can be called anything they choose since it is a nickname.

Mr. Booth reviewed the relevant policies to look into due to the pandemic. Ms. Wilson agreed to review the “E” policies. Ms. Rainey stated that she would look at “ADF” and Mr. Booth stated that he would review “CHA”. Ms. Rainey agreed to review “C” through “IJ” and Mr. Booth agreed to review “JICA” and the “JL” policies.

A motion was made by Ms. Rainey, seconded by Ms. Wilson, to bring forward for a first reading the School Committee, policies:

- EBC - Supplemental
- EBCFA - Face Coverings
- IHBHE – Remote Learning
- IHBHE-E – Remote Learning Addendum

The motion passed by roll call: Wilson, aye; Rainey, aye; Booth, aye.

The Subcommittee discussed a tentative next meeting on August 13th at 3:00 PM and Mr. Booth noted that he would reach out to Dorothy Presser from MASC for her availability.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Rainey, seconded by Ms. Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call: Ms. Wilson, aye; Ms. Rainey, aye; Mr. Booth, aye, and the meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Higgins

Approved: 8.13.20