

TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDED MINUTES

OF

THE METHUEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE

OF

JULY 1, 2026

SUBMITTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF:

THE METHUEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

“AN OPEN MEETING ADVANTAGE FOR THE COMMUNITY OF METHUEN”

RECORDED BY:

MEMBER ALEJANDRO BAEZ, CHAIR

2026.07.01

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1. Call to Order

Present: Member Baez, Member Keegan, Member McCarthy Sirois

2. Acceptance of the Agenda

MOTION: Member McCarthy Sirois made a motion to accept the agenda

Second: Member Keegan seconded the motion.

VOTE: PASSED 3-0

3. Approval of Minutes June 11, 2026 June 17, 2026 June 25, 2026

MOTION: Member McCarthy Sirois made a motion to approve the minutes for June 11, 2026.

Member Keegan seconded the motion.

Discussion - None

VOTE: PASSED 3-0

MOTION: Member McCarthy Sirois made a motion to approve the minutes for June 17, 2026.

Member Keegan seconded the motion.

Discussion - None

VOTE: PASSED 3-0

MOTION: Member McCarthy Sirois made a motion to approve the minutes for June 25, 2026.

Member Keegan seconded the motion.

Discussion - None

VOTE: PASSED 3-0

4. Public Participation - None

5. Review and Approval of Recommendations for Section I

- Made changes to all policies amended as a full committee
- Spoke about MASC providing a letter of procedure of approval process
- Spoke about advertising as a staff member and where that would live
- Spoke about social media policy and MASC professional opinion that policy is not a restriction on teachers but a safeguard for students
- Homework policy does not contradict Observance policy IMD. Homework policy

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is culturally responsive and is reactive to student circumstances. Policy IMD prohibits the “observing” while IKB is responsive to student needs.

6. Review and Approval of Recommendations for Section J

- JF: Hold for review from FRC
- JFABC: HOLD contingent on title
- JFABD: PASSED
- JFABE: PASSED
- JFABF: PASSED
- JFABH; REMOVE
- JFBB: PASSED
- JH: Hold for admin review
- JHAA: Re-locate to handbook
- JHAB: Remove due to redundancy
- JHD: PASSED

7. Other Business from the Subcommittee

- Agenda requests including letter and final copies of policies
- Full committee meeting dates
- Pledge of allegiance policy requested by MASC to include in policies

8. Adjourn

MOTION: Member McCarthy Sirois made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Member Keegan seconded the motion.

PASSED time: 1:40pm