



# Mt. Greylock Regional School District

## School Committee Policy Subcommittee Minutes

**Date:** May 10, 2021

**Location:** Zoom

**Start:** 6pm

**Adjourn:** 7:45pm

**In Attendance:**

<b>Committee Members:</b> Jose Constantine Carrie Greene Julia Bowen	<b>Also Present:</b> Jake McCandless, Superintendent
<b>Absent:</b>	

Item	Comments	Motion	Second	Vote
I. Call to order	Constantine called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.			
II. Appoint Subcommittee Secretary	<p>Motion to appoint Bowen as the subcommittee secretary.</p> <p>Discussion: The committee agreed McCandless should ask Stacie to provide the committee – and all other committees – with the notes template used at the full SC meetings.</p> <p>Bowen-Aye; Constantine-Aye; Greene-Aye</p>	Greene	Constantine	3-0
III. Brief Report from Previous Liaison (Carrie Greene)	<p>Greene shared how the committee operated historically – namely, to review policy changes suggested either by the SC or MASC. The committee agreed that they would create a timeline of review for existing policies as well, based on suggestions from McCandless and the District Office Manager, Stacie Vigiard.</p> <p>At the next meeting, the committee will also review SC protocols, <del>for the various SC policies</del>, recognizing this is important to do when there is turnover on the SC. McCandless will bring a suggested format for bringing policies and protocols together.</p> <p>The committee will plan to meet once/month for an hour.</p>			



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<b>IV. BEA Remote Participation Policy Updates Discussion</b>	<p>The committee determined that it is premature to revise this policy until the Governor rescinds or revises his emergency order. While a few potential revisions were noted, further discussion was <del>tabled</del> postponed until a future meeting.</p>			
<b>V. BEDH-R Guidelines for Remote Meeting Public Comment Policy Updates Discussion</b>	<p>The committee discussed the recently adopted practice of school committee members reading public comment from members of the public who are not able to attend the meeting either remotely or in person. It was not clear when or why this practice was adopted, and the committee agreed it could put committee members in the difficult position of giving their own voice to comments that they do not agree with.</p> <p>The committee discussed the option to require that someone be either present, able to join remotely, or able to find a surrogate to read the comments at the meeting. If none of these requirements are able to be met, their comment, submitted within the required timeline, can be added to the meeting packet.</p> <p>The committee determined further discussion and/or a proposal to the full SC could wait until a future date.</p>			
<b>VI. BHE Use of Electronic Messaging by School Committee Members policy updates discussion</b>	<p>The committee agreed to a suggested change in the language that rather than the Chair annually designating a member of the central office staff to be copied on correspondence, that it just name the position of District Office Manager, who serves this function.</p> <p>The committee determined further discussion and/or a proposal to the full SC could wait until a future date.</p>			
<b>VII. EBCFB Interim Policy for Student Travel during COVID policy discussion to rescind VOTE</b>	<p>Motion that the policy subcommittee recommends to the full school committee to rescind the interim policy for student travel during COVID.</p> <p>McCandless shared that this policy for student travel during COVID was successful in allowing the district to open the high school without incident, soon after spring break. Additionally, a majority of faculty and staff are now fully vaccinated.</p> <p>Bowen – Aye; Constantine – Aye; Greene – Aye.</p>	<p>Greene</p>	<p>Constantine</p>	<p>3-0</p>



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<b>VIII. Other items for discussion not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours before the meeting.</b>	Constantine shared that there were no additional items to be discussed.			
<b>Adjourn</b>	Motion to Adjourn at 7:40pm.  Roll Call out: Bowen-Aye; Constantine-Aye; Greene - Aye	Bowen	Greene	3-0

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Julia Bowen*

Approved with edits 06.02.21