

GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES  
251 STONEHAVEN ROAD, FALL RIVER, MA  
DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM  
JUNE 15, 2023

In attendance: Donald DiBiasio of Somerset and Jeffrey Begin of Swansea

Absent: Joan Menard of Fall River

Also in attendance: Brian Bentley, Interim Superintendent-Director, Andrew Rebello, Assistant Superintendent-Principal, Lois Miller, Director of Guidance, Gregory Brillhante, Legal Counsel and Helena Neves, Executive Secretary.

It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the May 17, 2023 minutes and approve them, as recorded.

Mr. DiBiasio began the discussion on the LPN Program Financial Aid Handbook. Mr. Begin stated that he reviewed it and only minor changes such as job titles and dates were made.

It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously to make the recommendation to the School Committee to approve the LPN Program Financial Aid Handbook as presented.

Mr. DiBiasio asked for discussion on the proposed Admissions Policy. Mr. Begin stated that the Admissions Sub-Committee met and made some changes but deferred to Mrs. Miller for a summary of the changes. Mrs. Miller stated that language was updated because the district is using an electronic retrieval of records from the sending schools. Language was added for application tiebreakers, affidavit and the residency verification. The cutoff date for attendance was changed to December 31<sup>st</sup>. The biggest change was the addition of a broader range of points given for unexcused absences. Currently, students with 16 to 66 absences receive the same point value as there is no differentiation. The revision will provide a more equitable point values given for absences.

It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously to make the recommendation to the School Committee to approve the Admissions Policy as presented.

Mr. DiBiasio deferred to Mr. Bentley for Policy KF & KF-R and the Use of Facilities Fee Schedule. Mr. Bentley explained that the custodial and security fees listed on the schedule do not reflect the current rate for the staff performing those duties. Mr. DiBiasio suggested updating the fee schedule to reflect the hourly rate of the highest paid staff member and revisit on a yearly basis.

There was a discussion on the fee that is being charged to use the facilities. An outside for profit organization using a facility on multiple days will be expected to pay over five thousand dollars. Mr. DiBiasio suggested adding a maximum daily rate of \$500 to use the auditorium.

It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously to charge a maximum of \$500 fee per day for the use of the auditorium by a for profit organization.

Mr. DiBiasio stated that he has reviewed the MASC Updated Policies and no major changes were made. Typically the committee adopts MASC recommended policies unless an administrator has any concerns. There were no concerns raised.

It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio and voted unanimously to make the recommendation to the School Committee to approve the MASC Updated Policies as presented.

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It was moved by Mr. Begin, seconded by Mr. DiBiasio, and voted unanimously to adjourn the Sub-Committee meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Helena S. Neves*  
Helena S. Neves, Executive Secretary

**Materials Included:**

May 17, 2023 Minutes  
LPN Program Financial Aid Handbook – vote if necessary  
Admissions Policy  
Policy KF & KF-R and Use of Facilities Fee Schedule  
MASC Updated Policies