

**Monadnock Regional School District
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2023
Present at SAU Conference Room or Zoom
Swanzey, NH**

Members Present: Kristen Noonan and Colleen Toomey.

Absent: Jennifer Strimbeck

Also Present: L. Aivaliotis, MRSD Recording Secretary

1. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

2. **Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2023: MOTION** C. Toomey **MOVED** to approve the January 11, 2023 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** K. Noonan **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

3. **Policy Review:** K. Noonan explained she had received an email from J. Morin regarding the dollar amount for transfers that need Board approval. She said that is why this committee will be looking at Policy DBJ tonight.
 - a. **DBJ-Transfer of Appropriation:** The NHSBA Policy allows up to \$5000.00 to be transferred without the Board's approval. The MRSD Policy was last looked at in 2017. KHS is at \$10,000.00 and other Districts are at \$15,000.00 before Board approval. C. Toomey likes to know where the funds are going. K. Noonan likes the \$5000.00 limit. She does not want to go up to \$10,000.00 as suggested by the administration. The language in the MRSD Policy and the NHSBA Sample Policy is different. **MOTION:** C. Toomey **MOVED** to adopt the first 4 paragraphs of the NHSBA Policy DBJ, to increase the amount to \$5000.00 from \$3500.00 and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** K. Noonan. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

 - b. **IMBA-Distance Education:** K. Noonan explained Policy IMBA was part of the bulletin. This policy was last revised in 2020. The NHSBA Policy amended this policy. This is in regards to snow days. C. Toomey commented that the MRSD Policy sounds like it is referring to college classes but then snow days. She said the two policies are very different. **MOTION:** K. Noonan **MOVED** to update Policy IMBA with the NHSBA Sample Policy and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. Toomey. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

 - c. **IKFC-Alternative Diploma for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities:** K. Noonan explained this committee is reviewing Policy IKFC due to a new legislature which amends the definition of the students until the age of 22. Students will be able to attend school until they are 22 years of age. This was

adopted in 2018. **MOTION:** K. Noonan **MOVED** to update Policy IKFC with the NHSBA Sample Policy and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. Toomey. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

d. EBCD-School or District Closings (Withdraw EBCE): The committee reviewed the MRSD and the NHSBA Sample Policies for EBCD. The NHSBA withdrew Policy EBCE. EBCE was combined with EBCD. **MOTION:** C. Toomey **MOVED** to adopt the NHSBA Sample Policy EBCD, to withdraw Policy EBCE and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** K. Noonan **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

e. EBCF-Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies: K. Noonan explained that we do not currently have this policy, it is not in the bulletin but it is referenced in Policy EBCD. We do have Policy EBCF Confined Spaces Policy but has nothing to do with the pandemic. K. Noonan said it is very strange and does not feel that we need Policy EBCF. The NHSBA EBCF seems pre-pandemic, revised in 2007 and out of date. K. Noonan would like to refer Policy EBCF and Policy EBCD to the administration.

4. Other Business: K. Noonan will follow up with the administration on the policies previously referred to the administration. S. Peters would like the Policy Committee to prepare a Year in Review presentation.

5. Next Meeting: The next meeting is on March 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

6. Public Comment: There were no public comments.

7. Motion to Adjourn: **MOTION:** C. Toomey **MOVED** to adjourn the Policy Committee Meeting at 8:11 PM. **SECOND:** K. Noonan **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Aivaliotis
MRSD Recording Secretary