

**Monadnock Regional School District
Community Relations Committee Meeting
April 2, 2024
SAU Conference Room, Swanzey, NH**

Members Present: Jeff Cesaitis and Ed LaPlante. **Absent:** Stephanie Lawlor

Also Present: L. Aivaliotis, MRSD Recording Secretary.

1. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments
2. **Nomination of CRC Chair: MOTION:** E. LaPlante **MOVED** nominate J. Cesaitis as the CRC Chair. **SECOND:** J. Cesaitis. **VOTE:** J. Cesaitis-abstain and E. LaPlante-yes. **Motion passes.**

3. **Community Relation Goals: for 2024/25:** After much discussion from the committee they came up with the following goals for 2024/25:

By 04/16/24, new present new charter and goals to the School Board for consideration

By June 1st develop Student Engagement Survey regarding course availability extra-curricuter activities that are, or should be available to the student body.

By July 1st: develop an Employee Engagement Survey to encourage employee involvement in policies and facility's improvement ideas, as well as overall working environment. Survey should be anonymous and open to new ideas.

By August 1st develop a General Community Engagement Survey to determine concerns, wants, and needs of the public.

By September 1st develop an update about the Renovations Project through newsletter/mailer/publication in local papers.

4. **Community Relation Charter:** J. Cesaitis presented the following Charter to the committee members:

a. Committee Name: Community Relations Committee (CRC)

b. Purpose: The Community Relations Committee (CRC) of the Monadnock Regional School District serves as a liaison between the school district and the community it serves. The committee aims to foster positive relationships,

communication, and collaboration between the school district and various stakeholders, including parents, students, teachers, administrators, local businesses, civic organizations, and the broader community.

c. Mission: The mission of the Community Relations Committee is to:

- Promote transparency and open communication between the school district and the community.
- Facilitate meaningful engagement and involvement of community members in the educational process.
- Advocate for the interests and needs of students, families, and community members within the school district.
- Support initiatives that enhance the quality of education and the overall well-being of students.
- Serve as a platform for addressing concerns, sharing feedback, and soliciting input from the community.
- Collaborate with other committees, departments, and organizations within the school district and the community to achieve common goals.

d. Authority: The Community Relations Committee operates under the authority of the Monadnock Regional School Board. It has the authority to:

- Conduct meetings, forums, and events to facilitate communication and engagement with the community.
- Make recommendations to the Monadnock Regional School Board regarding policies, programs, or initiatives aimed at improving community relations.
- Collaborate with school administrators, staff, and other stakeholders to implement strategies for enhancing community engagement and communication.

e. Membership: The Community Relations Committee membership shall include, at a minimum, three representatives from the Monadnock Regional School Board.

f. Meetings: The Community Relations Committee shall meet regularly on the first Tuesday of the month.

g. Adoption: This charter shall be adopted upon approval by the Monadnock Regional School District Board.

5. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

6. Next Agenda: The next meeting is on May 7, 2024. The committee will vote on the Charter and the Goals at that next meeting. The committee will also develop questions for the student survey.

7. Motion to adjourn: MOTION: E. LaPlante **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 6:35. **SECOND:** J. Cesaitis **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Aivaliotis
MRSD Recording Secretary