The Subcommittee on School Committee Policies met on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, in the Virtual Zoom Meeting. Present were Kathy Bent, Peter Goode, Sara Ahern, Kristen Harmon, and Jen Kruczek.

Ms. Bent called the meeting to order at 3:30PM.

Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Mr. Goode, seconded by Dr. Ahern, and the Committee voted, unanimously, to approve the meeting Minutes of October 25, 2024.

Review Policy IKF (Graduation Requirements)

- Dr. Ahern met with the Cape Superintendent's group on Friday. Dennis-Yarmouth and Sandwich shared their proposed language for this policy. She met with Jason Conetta and Albert Mercado. She sent the certified courses to the school counselors. She shared the policy ideas with Michael Joyce and has feedback from him. The opening paragraph was added and distinguishing diploma from certificate. Michael Joyce had suggestions on language about credits from institutions other than Barnstable High School. The Committee discussed and reworded the language. Competency Determination language was added to the end of the policy. The Committee looked at the proposed language in the Sandwich handbook policy on graduation requirements. They discussed the passing level and mastery level. Some of the Dennis-Yarmouth language was used under the Competency Determination section.
- Dr. Ahern asked if the Committee needs to approve the policy and certify the courses as well or was just approving the policy sufficient. The Committee discussed the courses that would and would not qualify in the competency determination.
- Ms. Bent and Mr. Goode both thought the School Committee should certify the courses.
- Dr. Ahern stated there are 43 students that would meet the competency requirements.
- Dr. Ahern stated the graduation requirements compared to MassCore. The graduation requirements were abbreviated a little bit. The Barnstable High School handbook aligned with MassCore.
- Ms. Bent wanted to revisit this policy for the requirements, but not discuss it at this meeting.

School Committee Comments Policy Discussion

- The Committee did not get to this item.

Discuss Policy IKB (Homework)

- The Committee did not get to this item.

Review Policy ADDA (Background Check)

- The Committee did not get to this item.

Next Steps

- The Committee did not get to this item.

Motion by Mr. Goode, seconded by Dr. Ahern, and the Committee voted, unanimously, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Kruczek
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