

**Monadnock Regional School District  
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2026  
SAU 93 Conference Room or Zoom**

**Committee Members Present:** Kristen Noonan, Lisa Steadman via Zoom and Cheryl McDaniel-Thomas.

**Call the Meeting to Order:** K. Noonan called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

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

**2. Approval of Minutes from August 26, 2025 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes:**

**MOTION:** C.McDaniel-Thomas **MOVED** to approve the August 26, 2025 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. **SECOND:** L.Steadman **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**3. Policy Review:** K. Noonan explained that the policies the committee will review tonight are from a Special Bulletin and the regular Bulletin. The policies are either required by law or recommended.

**a. JICJ-Unauthorized Communication Devices:** L.Steadman commented that the Education Committee, administration and staff worked very hard to come up with the current cell phone policy. K. Noonan commented that the NHSBA was slower than the district but we need to make sure that we are in compliance. K. Noonan said that we need to follow the letter of the law. The NHSBA has it titled differently. Their title is Prohibiting Use of Cell phones and Other Devices. C. McDaniel-Thomas commented that the NHSBA is more concise and it does not discuss the teachers and staff. L. Steadman commented that the district is already in compliance with the MRSD policy. The teachers and staff are mentioned in the MRSD policy. It was suggested to send this policy to the administration. **MOTION:** L. Steadman **MOVED** to send this issue to the administration explaining that we are in compliance and do they agree. **SECOND:** K. Noonan. **VOTE:** C. McDaniel-Thomas-abstain and remaining members-yes. **Motion passes.**

**b. AB-New Hampshire Parental Bill of Rights:** K. Noonan explained that MRSD does not have this policy. The NHSBA Sample Policy was presented to the committee. This is a priority and required by law. This does not need to be in the handbook this year but absolutely for next year. **MOTION:** K.Noonan **MOVED** to accept the NHSBA Sample Policy AB as presented and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas. **VOTE:** C. McDaniel-Thomas-abstain and remaining members-yes. **Motion passes.**

**c. BEDG-Meeting Minutes:** The NHSBA Sample Policy BEDG have minor corrections,the start and end time in the minutes are required, name of person taking the minutes needs to be stated among other changes. **MOTION:** K. Noonan **MOVED** to update Policy BEDG with the NHSBA Sample Policy BEDG, use option one for unsealing and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**d. JCA-Change of School Assignment-Best Interests and Manifest Hardship:** It was explained that Policy JCA is a complete reconstruction and has 5 changes. There is a new title on the NHSBA Sample Policy. In the NHSBA Sample Policy it states that the district may have to pay for private schools. It does not currently state that in the MRSD policy. **MOTION:** C.McDaniel-Thomas **MOVED** to accept the NHSBA Sample Policy JCA as presented and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** L.Steadman. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**e. JICK-Bullying Prevention-Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention:** The NHSBA Sample Policy has a title change, additional definitions, different format and restructure of the policy. These changes are due to HB 108. **MOTION:** C. McDaniel-Thomas **MOVED** to accept the NHSBA Sample Policy JICK and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** L. Steadman. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**f. JLCJA-Emergency Plan for Sports Related Injuries and Additional Protocols for Athletic Participation:** The NHSBA Sample Policy has a title change and with HB 763 employees are trained regarding the AED and besides those changes there are not many others. **MOTION:** L. Steadman **MOVED** to accept NHSBA Sample Policy JLCJA with committee updates and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**g. GBEBB-Employee-Student Relations:** This policy is required by law. This policy was updated by the NHSBA due to HB231. The policy prohibits staff from transporting students to the hospital due to an injury, it gives the definition of covered staff and information on reporting violations. **MOTION:** K. Noonan **MOVED** to update to the NHSBA Sample Policy GBEBB with committee edits and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** C. McDaniel-Thomas. **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**h. EBCCA-Use and Location of Automated External Defibrillators:** **MOTION:** C. McDaniel-Thomas **MOVED** to accept the NHSBA Sample Policy EBCCA, to retire Policy GBGBA, retire Policy JLCEA, retire Policy KFD and to forward to the full Board as a first read. **SECOND:** L. Steadman **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**4. Other Business:**

**5. Assignments and Agenda for Next Meeting. February 10, 2026.**

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

**7. Adjournment:** **MOTION:** C. McDaniel-Thomas **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. **SECOND:** K. Noonan **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Laura Aivaliotis**  
**Recording Secretary**