

Approved June 10, 2025

Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee

Meeting of May 6, 2025

Members Present: Mark Healey
Colleen Burt
Angie Johnson
Kevin Crotty
Kate Potter
Toa Ashk (remote)

1) Call to Order

Mark Healey called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm in the Middle School Library.

2) Community Comments - none

3) **Student Council Representatives** - an update on recent Student Council events including a blood drive, Teacher Appreciation week, and Town Hall meetings was given.

4) **Superintendent Comments** - Superintendent McCoy reviewed recent and upcoming events in the District including Annual Town Meetings, and the update to all student handbooks over the summer.

5) Financial Reports

- Audited FY24 Financials - Bob Brown from RE Brown presented the audited statements.
- Warrant Report
- FY25 Monthly Operating Report
 - Revenues: there is a projected negative variance in Athletics and miscellaneous revenue accounts.
 - Salaries: an Assistant to the Business Administrator was hired as of mid-April with a realized savings of approximately \$30,000 based on the position being partially filled/vacant since July.
 - Expenditures: there are no changes to report

6) Discussion Items

- District Competency Determination (1st read) - Under MA State Law, students must satisfy the requirements of the “competency determination” (CD) in order to graduate from high school. With the recent passage of Question 2 in November 2024, future MCCAS testing will no longer satisfy the requirement of the CD. The DSHS Administration recommended removing MCAS as a graduation requirement for the District with the assurance that DSHS will continue to ensure that the state standards are covered by the end of each course and the academic rigor of the course is preserved, if not enhanced. The curriculum will not change, what will change is the faculties ability to engage all students in relevant content. Kevin Crotty mentioned that the vote at the local level was in favor of keeping MCAS as a graduation requirement and suggested a survey of parents should be done before the committee votes. The Administration will come back to the June meeting with a suggested plan and timeline for discussing/voting on this item.
- Updates to Athletic Handbook (1st read) - recommended changes were presented for discussion.

7) Action Items

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8) Consent Items

- Grants - METCO Grant - \$42,644 in additional funds (total grant for FY25 - \$382,526);
CSHS Nursing Grant - \$10,000 in additional funds (total grant for FY25 - \$24,000)
- Regional School Committee minutes of March 4, 2025

*Colleen Burt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Kate Potter seconded.
25 - 09 VOTE: 5 - 0*

9) Informational Items

- TEC Collaborative FY26 Budget
- TEC Collaborative Quarterly Report
- TEC Collaborative Agreement (effective July 1, 2025)
- ACCEPT Collaborative Quarterly Report
- Sherborn School Committee Minutes - February 4, 2025
- Dover School Committee Minutes of January 14, 2025

10)Next Meeting: June 10th - Reorganization

Mark Healey and Kate Potter were recognized and thanked for their years of service on the school committee.

11)Adjournment at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Davis