



NORTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE
Ashby – Pepperell – Townsend, Massachusetts

MINUTES – March 3, 2026
Virtual via Zoom

PRESENT

Chairperson	Randee Rusch	Member, Townsend
Co-Chairperson	Lisa Bloom	Member, At-Large
	Jackie White	Member, Pepperell
	Michael LaBossiere	Member, Pepperell
	Robin Eibye	Recording Secretary ~ Absent
	Brad Morgan	Superintendent ~ Absent
	Gary Burboa-Reese	Asst. Superintendent ~ Absent
	Nancy Haines	Business Manager ~ Absent
	Kevin Cormier	Asst. Business Manager ~ Absent
	Jeremy Hamond	Director of Operations

CALL TO ORDER

1. Randee Rusch opened the meeting at 8:33 a.m. and announced that it was being recorded.

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- *Michael LaBossiere motioned, and Lisa Bloom seconded to vote and approve the minutes dated February 10, 2026, as presented.*

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

Vote: The motion was unanimously passed. 4/0/0

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- None

NEW BUSINESS – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN

OUR MISSION: At NM, we are committed to creating a diverse learning environment where students are provided a meaningful education through academic, social, and emotional learning experiences. Together with parents, caregivers, and the community, students are encouraged to ignite and embrace their individual potential to find success within NM and beyond

1. JG Middle School Pathways

- *After discussion about the changes that DESE requested, Jackie White motioned, and Michael LaBossiere seconded to bring the amended policy to the full committee for adoption.*

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

Vote: The motion was unanimously passed. 4/0/0

2. FCB Retirement of Facilities

After discussion about the changes requested by the full committee, it was amended. Discussion around the process and flexibility for future School Committees to take the situation at that time was emphasized and agreed upon.

- *Michael LaBossiere motioned, and Lisa Bloom seconded to bring the policy, as amended, for a first reading to the full committee.*

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

Vote: The motion was unanimously passed. 4/0/0

2. BEDH - Public participation at School Committee Meetings

Discussion around reading emails in the public comment section ensued. It was discussed that they do not have any constraints on their length as compared to speakers, that the readers' personal inflections can add or take away intent, and that the stated purpose of the policy is to encourage attendance and to address the SC on any concerns. It was agreed that if someone requested that their email be included in the minutes, the email would be listed on the agenda under public comment and included in the packet, but not read aloud.

- *Michael LaBossiere motioned, and Lisa Bloom seconded to bring the policy, as amended, for a first reading to the full committee.*

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

Vote: The motion was unanimously passed. 4/0/0

3. BDE Subcommittees of the School Committee

Discussion was had about whether the subcommittees should choose their own chairs.

- *Michael LaBossiere motioned, and Jackie White seconded to bring the policy as amended for a first reading to the full committee.*

Roll Call:			
Randee Rusch	Yes	Jackie White	Yes
Lisa Bloom	Yes	Michael LaBossiere	Yes

Vote: The motion was unanimously passed. 4/0/0

OLD BUSINESS

1. JJE - Student Fund Raising Activities - 6/23/2014

Tabled to next meeting

2. JJH - Student Travel - 10/4/2021

Tabled to next meeting

FIVE-YEAR REVIEW – VOTES MAY BE TAKEN

- None

NEXT MEETING

- March 10, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

- *At 9:02 a.m., Michael LaBossiere motioned, and Lisa Bloom seconded to adjourn.*

Roll Call Vote:			
<i>Randee Rusch</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Jackie White</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Lisa Bloom</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Michael LaBossiere</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Vote: The motion passed unanimously. 4/0/0

ACTION ITEMS

Documents Reviewed / Referred To:

- 2026 03-03 Policy Subcommittee Agenda
- 2026 02-10 Policy Subcommittee Minutes
- [JJE - Student Fund Raising Activities - 6/23/2014](#)
- [JJH - Student Travel - 10/4/2021](#)
- [JG Middle School Pathways](#)
- [FCB Retirement of Facilities](#)
- [BEDH Public Participation at School Committee Meetings](#)
- [BDE Subcommittees of the School Committee](#)

Respectfully submitted,
Ranee Rusch

APPROVED: March 10, 2026
