



School Administrative Unit #41

Hollis, Brookline & Hollis Brookline Cooperative School Districts

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SAU41 USDA Wellness Committee **Minutes**

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Via Zoom | 3:30pm

Members in attendance: Emmie White, Lance Flamino, Amy Cassidy, Lynn DiZazzo, Tena Ferenzchalmy, Paula Izbicki, Linda Lannin, Allie Buschmann, Heather Reardon, Kathleen Turner, Raphi Zack, Stacy Sanborn, Melissa Mack, Louise Hickey

3:30pm: Call to Order

1. Brief hellos and overview of meeting

Emmie started the meeting at 3:32pm by welcoming everyone. She apologized for technical difficulties associated with the last meeting. She went on to briefly run through today's to-do list: food service, policy, and goal completion rates.

3:35pm: Food Service Update

1. Amy to update the group

Amy shared that the Brookline state review took place and it went great. No issues with Wellness. Triennial assessment is due.

3:40pm: JLCF- Wellness Update

1. Emmie to provide a brief update on the policy/ school board input
2. Committee members to give insight and suggest changes

Emmie shared that the edited policies have been seen by all three school boards. Hollis already adopted the policy and she expects Brookline and the Coop to finalize their adoptions this Spring. She asked if anyone had any questions about the policies or their adoption status before reminding the committee members to reach out if they would like to give more feedback on what is proposed for adoption.

3:45pm: Benchmark Assessment Review, Comparison, and Feedback

1. Emmie to present findings from the 2nd Benchmark Assessments
2. Group to provide insight and recommendations

Emmie then shared that really great progress has been made on our annual goal assessments. She was excited to point out that a few goals have already been completed in full and about five others are well on their way. Paula commented that she really appreciated the compilation of the information.



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Emmie then opened the floor to the school's wellness coordinators to elaborate on the data their school presented. Paula asked Amy if the building administrators will be notified of the "taste test" in advance as it may be exciting for students. Amy stated she cannot recall what was done but believes it was on the menu in the past and can be again this year.

Lynn shared ideas around collecting data, suggested polling staff to be sure data is accurate. She also shared ideas for other coordinators for rewards that would be compliant (i.e. stickers rather than candy). Amy Cassidy added that HBMS uses cafeteria coupons as rewards. A question was asked about funding this, Lance suggested administrators reach out to him if they are interested.

Kudo's were given to Emmie for taking the helm of the wellness committee and pulling things together this year.

4:00pm: Next Meeting Info

1. May 14, 2026, 3:30pm on Zoom
2. 3rd and Final Benchmark Assessment due May 12, 2026
3. JLCF to be adopted

Emmie wrapped the meeting by reminding the wellness coordinators to submit their final assessments the week of May 12th. The last meeting of the year is May 14th. The meeting ended at 3:46 PM.

4:05pm: Adjournment