



**Monomoy Regional School District - Monomoy Regional School Committee
Meeting Agenda for Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Monomoy Regional High School Library, 75 Oak Street, Harwich, MA 02645**

This meeting will be broadcast to Channel 22 as well as live-streamed/recorded to the [MRSC YOUTUBE CHANNEL](#)

Members present: Meredith Henderson, Brad Schiff, Stephen Davol, Jacki Zibrat-Long, Brett Fotin, Ryan Edwards

Members not present: Ryan Clarke, Betty Gray

Administrators present: Dr. Scott Carpenter, Dr. Robin Millen, Michael MacMillan, Joy Jordan

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

Meredith Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- i. February 12, 2026 Budget Hearing
- ii. February 12, 2026 Regular Business Meeting

MOTION: Brett Fortin motioned to approve the February 12, 2026 Budget Hearing and the February 12, 2026 Regular Business meeting minutes, seconded by Jackie Zibrat-Long.

The motion passes with 5 ayes and 1 abstain.

C. MRHS Student Representative

MRHS student Maggie Powers was unable to attend the meeting.

D. Public Comment: Speakers are limited to three minutes; additional time is at the discretion of the Chairperson

None.

E. Reports and Discussions

- i. MRHS Robotics Overnight Field Trip

POTENTIAL VOTE

MRHS Teacher Rich Oldach presented an overview of the Robotics program and upcoming overnight field trip for the Robotics Team to participate in the State competition in Framingham, Massachusetts. The robotics program has significantly grown from 3 students to over 20 in four years and this year the team has built five different robots, with two qualifying for state competition. The students will attend the State Championship competition on March 6th, 7th and 8th and funding for the overnight stay will be provided by parents. Since the timeline does not allow waiting for another school committee meeting for field trip approval, the committee members agreed to vote on the trip tonight.

MOTION: Jackie Zibrat-Long motioned to approve the Robotics field trip, seconded by Brad Schiff.

UNANIMOUS: the motion passes

- ii. MRHS Discovery Program at Marine Biological Laboratories

The presenter of this report was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

- iii. MRHS Donation to True Colors United

VOTE REQUIRED

The funds were raised by selling holiday socks. The donation supports the mission of True Colors United and their work with the LGBTQ+ community.

MOTION: Brad Schiff motioned to approve the donation of \$300 from the Monomoy Regional High School Gender & Sexuality Alliance Club Account to True Colors United, seconded by Ryan Edwards.

UNANIMOUS: the motion passes

- iv. Student Services Budget Report

The presenter of this report was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

- v. Second Reading Policy Files: File CHCA: Approval of Handbooks and Directives, File DA: Fiscal Management Goals, File DB: Annual Budget, File DBC: Budget Deadlines and Schedules, File DBD: Budget Planning, File DKC: Expense Reimbursements

VOTE REQUIRED

MOTION: Ryan Edwards motioned to approve the policy files as presented in the packets, seconded by Brad Schiff.

UNANIMOUS: the motion passes

F. Subcommittee, Representative, Liaison Reports

No reports given tonight.

G. Superintendent's Report

i. Recognitions

Dr. Carpenter gave the committee a brief budget update and recognized the MRHS and MRMS Robotics teams as well as the MRHS winter athletes that have qualified for playoffs. In addition he shared his thoughts on the opening of the high school to the public during the aftermath of the blizzard.

Budget Update

- Successful presentation to Harwich Finance Subcommittee highlighting program success and family retention.
- Both Harwich and Chatham are hopeful for town support to close budget gaps.
- Recognition of the need to maintain quality education amidst financial challenges.

Student Achievements and Events

- Five middle school teams advanced to the VEX tournament, showcasing exceptional skills.
- Two high school teams set to compete in state championships next weekend.
- Ongoing playoff games for girls and boys basketball, and hockey.

Community Engagement and School Closure Response

- Acknowledgment of the challenges faced during recent school closures.
- The high school opened as a community resource, providing meals, showers, and Wi-Fi.
- Praise for the administrative team's quick response and support for community needs.

Dr. Millen also wanted to acknowledge and thank many of our community partners that stopped by and helped out at the high school this week including the police and fire departments, a nursing team of Outer Cape Health and Ashley Symington from Harwich Social Services.

H. Action Items -Vote Required

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UNANIMOUS: the motion passes

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I. Presentation of the Warrants

Presentation of the Warrants Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants were presented for MRSC member signatures.

J. Adjournment

MOTION: Jackie Zibrat-Long moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ryan Edwards.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Roberta Simmons
Recording Secretary