

**AMESBURY HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL**  
**SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 12, 2026**

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Present were:

- Joe DiMartino
- Woon Chul Fisher
- James Hindman
- Craig McPherson
- Tim Osgood
- Dr. Danielle Ricci
- Mary Testa

- I. Approval of Previous Minutes
  - a.) Minutes Approved
- II. Budget Discussion
  - a.) Ricci: Staffing is the major area for cuts
  - b.) Council discussed the budget, including the following main points:
    - Questions about retirement
    - Hope to keep programs like tech ed
    - questions about AP offerings and dual enrollment classes
    - questions about bumping staff members
- III. Follow-Up on School Improvement Plan
- IV. Staffing Updates
  - A. New High School Staff
  - B. Superintendent
  - C. Retirements and plans for posting positions
- V. Communication Check-In
  - A. Vision of the Graduate
  - B. Feedback from School Council
    - a.) McPherson: Communication has been great, there are more opportunities to email teachers this year, teacher communication has been great and they are good with replying
    - b.) Hindman: Teachers are replying quickly
    - c.) Testa:
      - Weekly Bulletin did not have the Superintendent Search information
      - The calendar on the website should include more such as no school days, PD/PRT days, Prom, things happening during the day
      - Lack of communication regarding Senior Night from coaches or Athletic Department
    - d.) Fisher: Athletics communication could be improved, hard to get updates when games are moved, suggests a community newsletter
    - e.) Osgood: suggests an Athletic Department social media feed or newsletter
- VI. Future Agenda Items