Holbrook Public Schools
245 South Franklin Street
Holbrook, MA 02343

MINUTES OF THE HOLBROOK SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Holbrook Middle-High School Auditorium
February 12, 2026
6:00pm

In Attendance: Barbara Davis, School Committee Chairperson
Renee Malvesti, School Committee Vice Chair
Fred White, School Committee Secretary
Ryan Despres, School Committee Member
,. Julie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools
Stefanie DeRosa, Curriculum Director
Jennifer Bates, Holbrook Middle-High School Principal
Christine Suckow, School Business Administrator
Rob Compton, Special Education Director
Rob King, Technology Director

- Robotics March 18-21, 2026 Out-of-State Field Trip Request, New England First URI District Event
- Robotics April 2, 2026 – April 5, 2026 Out-of-State Field Trip Request, New England First WPI District Event
- January 16, 2026 School Committee Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Ms. Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resident's Concerns
None.

Student Advisory
Katie Nguyen and Molly Chiocca presented on recent and upcoming events which included seniors Nyah Baker and Finley Moore qualifying for states alongside Rayne Banks in their first DECA competition. Robotics has started prototyping and designing their competition robot. The Mock Trial team defeated Brockton High School in their first match on Wednesday at the Brockton Court House.

Superintendent's Report
Preschool registration is now open. 5th grade parent meeting took place and Red, White and Pink day will take place tomorrow to celebrate Valentine's Day. Superintendent Hamilton also announced that the district was awarded a $25,000 grant from Quincy College.

Ms. Derosa presented on the Ignite Reading grant that the district was recently awarded. Students will be participating in on-line tutoring which will begin March 6th and go until the end of May. The Holbrook Middle-High School was also awarded the Education Innovative grant of $3,300 so they can continue our Credit for Life.

Ayane White was announced as this year's valedictorian and Josue Velarde as salutatorian. The Costa Rica trip is underway.

The district is continuing to work on the strategic plan which they will be finalizing in the spring and presenting in the fall.

Personnel

New Hires

- Allison Lamonica, 0.6 Speech Language Pathologist, 1-year appointment, John F. Kennedy Elementary School, effective December 1, 2025
- Elizabeth Russell, LTS Math Teacher, Holbrook Middle-High School, effective January 29, 2026

Resignations

- Michael Bowlby, LTS Grade 4 Teacher, John F. Kennedy Elementary School, effective January 16, 2026
- Aram Hollman, High School Math Teacher, Holbrook Middle-High School, effective January 7, 2026
- Shawn Lane, LTS Special Education Teacher, Holbrook Middle-High School, effective January 27, 2026

Discussion Items

Robotics Out-of-State field trip request, New England First URI District Event, March 18-21, 2026

No robotics representatives in attendance to present. Ms. Davis opted to discuss and vote in their absence.

Robotics Out-of-State field trip request, New England First WPI District Event, April 2-5, 2026

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No corrections or changes.

Subcommittee Reports

Mr. F. White updated the committee on the recent capital improvements subcommittee meeting.

School Committee Member Reports

Ms. Davis gave her monthly MASC update which included upcoming learning lunches on Budgeting as a School Committee and a Division III Chapter 70 and the Student Opportunity Act. School Committee Day on the Hill is March 3rd.

Ms. Davis proposed moving the May 21, 2026 school committee meeting to May 28th to accommodate the John F. Kennedy Elementary School concert that is scheduled for the same night.

Action Items

Robotics Out-of-State field trip request, New England First URI District Event, March 18-21, 2026

Ms. Malvesti asked for clarification on whether this is an overnight trip or daytrips and, if it is an overnight, what is the chaperone situation. Superintendent Hamilton will meet with the Monteith's and

get any questions answered report back to the school committee.

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4-0-0 (Mr. C. White was not in attendance)

January 15, 2026 School Committee Meeting Minutes
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Move May 21, 2026 School Committee Meeting to May 28, 2026
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Recognitions
Harvard Book Award was awarded to Holbrook Middle-High School senior Ayane White. Recipients of this prestigious award are exemplary students in the graduating high school class who display excellence in scholarship and academic achievement. The award also celebrates great character that Ayane White embraces every day at Holbrook Middle-High School.

Old Business
None.

New Business
None.

ADJOURN or VOTE TO CONTINUE

Voted: (F. White/Malvesti) The School Committee made a motion to adjourn the regular School Committee Meeting of February 12, 2026 at 6:24pm.
4-0-0 (Mr. C. White was not in attendance)

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Baker

Recording Secretary