SOUTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

750 Winter Street
Framingham, MA 01702

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

January 12, 2026 @ 6:00 PM – School Committee Meeting Room 226

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 8, 2025

II. GUESTS AND VISITORS

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

IV. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VI. SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Career Night Update
2. Principal's Mid-Year Update
3. MSBA Update (Appendix 2026-01)
4. 2025 Annual Report (Appendix 2026-02)
5. Advisory Board Meeting (Appendix 2026-03)
6. Recruitment, Admissions and Retention Policy (Appendix 2026-04)

VII. FINANCIAL MATTERS

7. Non-Salary Financial Expenditure Report (Appendix 2026-05)
8. Budget Sub-Committee Update
9. Approval of Budget Sub-Committee Minutes (Appendix 2026-06)
10. Vote to Approve the FY27 Preliminary Budget (Appendix 2026-07)

VIII. COMMUNICATION

11. It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play (Appendix 2026-08)

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**One or more members of the South Middlesex Regional Vocational Technical School Committee may be participating remotely in accordance with the Attorney General's Regulations and Procedures {940 CMR 29.10}. A quorum of the Committee will be present.*

Posted: Keefe Tech Web Site: https://www.keefetech.org/community/public-meeting-info
cc: Legal Counsel, Administrative Staff, School Treasurer, Metro West Daily News, KTEA President, and District Clerk Offices: Ashland, Framingham, Holliston, Hopkinton, and Natick

Approved by School Committee:
January 12, 2026

SOUTH MIDDLESEX REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
Remote Only Meeting

December 8, 2025

MEMBERS' PRESENT:

ASHLAND
Ed Burman

FRAMINGHAM
Michele Burns
Linda Fobes
Rick Gallagher
Steven Patriarca
Steve Starr

HOLLISTON
Barry Sims
Sarah Commerford

HOPKINTON
Sabine St. Pierre

NATICK
Gerry Hartwell

ALSO PRESENT:
Jonathan Evans, Superintendent
Dolores Sharek, Director of Finance & Business
Karen Ward, Recording Secretary

Chairman Burman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Per Governor Healey's order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A sec. 20, we will be conducting this School Committee meeting Remotely Only, in accordance with the Attorney General's Regulations and Procedures.

SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Introduction of New Member

Superintendent Evans introduced Mr. Luther Evans as the newly appointed Keefe Tech school Committee Member representing the City of Framingham. Superintendent Evans invited Mr. Evans to say a few words to the Committee. Mr. Evans said he is excited to be here serving on a public board. He reported that he is a resident of Framingham, serving District 2. Mr. Evans reported that he had met Mr. Ward, a previous Keefe Tech School Committee member, and thought this would be a good role for him. Mr. Evans reported that he mentors high school and college students. Mr. Evans reported that he works at The Life Science Center and focuses on grants and funding . Superintendent Evans reported that he had an opportunity to meet with Mr. Evans and to show him around campus. He reported that this evening Mr. Evans is here as an attendee and will be sworn in as a member shortly. Superintendent Evans reported that he expects Mr. Evans to be ready to participate in the January 12th meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 3, 2025

Chairman Burman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 3, 2025. MRS. BURNS MADE A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. GALLAGHER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2025, SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING. MRS. BURNS, MRS. FOBES, MR. GALLAGHER, MR. PATRIARCA, MR. SIMS, MR. STARR, MRS. ST. PIERRE, AND MR. BURMAN VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION; MRS. COMMERFORD AND MR. HARTWELL ABSTAINED. THE VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUS.

GUESTS AND VISITORS

Mr. Luther Evans was introduced to the Committee as the newest Framingham Keefe Tech Committee Representative.

SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- MASC/MASS Joint Conference Update

Superintendent Evans reported that Mr. Gaine could not attend this evening's meeting, but would like Superintendent Evans to inform the Committee that the MASC/MASS Joint Conference he attended, in his opinion, was very well organized compared to last year. Mr. Gaine also relayed the information that all of the resolutions the Committee voted to approve passed and he abstained on the resolution on preserving local governance of Massachusetts schools as voted on by the Committee.

CHAIRMAN. REPORT

There was no Chairman's Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session

FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no Financial Matters

COMMUNICATION

There was no Communication

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business

ADJOURNMENT

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The next meeting is January 12th @ 6PM
The meeting adjourned at 6:15PM

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ACTION SHEET

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