Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

August 5th, 2026

Holbrook Middle School

4:00pm

Members in attendance: Pat Healy, Whitney Gould-Cookson, Sheila Caldwell

Others: Rachel Downs

Call to order: 5:35pm

No new policy member was in attendance at the April 9, 2025 meeting. To the Board to accept as is.

Chip Haskell was voted Policy Committee Chair.

GBP/GBP-R
Sheila gave an update that we are waiting for MSMA to revise GBP-R to include changes to the law on Earned Paid Leave and rolling over unused time. We will revise GBP-R at that time.

GCBI
Discussion of policy: quorum vs. MSMAs recommendation of all Board members.

Add Superintendent self-evaluation. Superintendent self-evaluation is to be prepared prior to individual Board members completing this Superintendent evaluation document. Rachel asked if I could ask George to search for previous Superintendent evaluations/surveys.

Rachel also asked that they change from rotating community and staff to every year putting out to everyone. Discussion was had as to who—community, teachers, towns, etc.—should the survey go to. Also, how will the Board determine the data, the overall score, and how it equates to a rate of compensation increase.

See document for changes to policy.

BEDH
Recommend to Board to replace our current policy with MSMA's.
See document for edits.

JLF
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Discussion was had to look at JL Student Wellness to the next agenda as this is necessary for our Child Nutrition Program (CNP) review.