**MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

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**Subcommittee Meeting Notes**

**November 13, 2024, Main Conference Room**

**Policy Subcommittee Members:** Chair Diane Swenson (Ashburnham); Barbara Reynolds (Lunenburg); Jeffrey Raymond (Athol); Jada McConologue (Petersham); and Tammy Lajoie (Liaison).

**Attendance:** Jada McConologue, Diane Swenson, Barbara Reynolds, Jeff Raymond. Absent: Whitney Marshall and Tammy Lajoie.

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes for 10/23/24 by Barbara, seconded by Jada. Unanimous.

**Legal Update**: None - IMG – Animals in Schools is with Legal. Diane and Tammy to discuss.

**BEDH –** Public Participation of Committee Meeting was discussed based on the new re-write, which eliminates purpose and definitions.

**Motion:** Approved to bring to full School Committee at the December meeting for a first reading. By Barbara, seconded by Jada. Unanimous.

Due to absence of Tammy, policies ADA, ADB, ADD, ADF, and AE will be continued to next meeting.

Policy IMG – Animals in Schools. This policy has been rewritten similar to the policies of other schools and MASC. MASC has two policies – IMG for Animals in School and IMGA for Service Animals in Schools. Other schools have combined content from both these policies into one (IMG). Jeff had some questions and will review his notes for discussion at the December meeting.

Sections JI through JP will be reviewed at December meeting. This information is included in the Student Handbook.

**Motion:** To present to the full SC at the November meeting to delete policies JLC through JLD as they are incorporated in the Student Handbook. (Student Handbook is reviewed, updated, and approved by the SC every year). Motion by Jada, seconded by Barbara. Unanimous.

Policies JBA, JBA-E, and JE will be reviewed by legal and/or Administration and reviewed at the December or January meeting.

Policies JKA – Corporal Punishment and JKD/JKE – Student Suspension/Student Expulsion will be aligned with MASC and reviewed by Administration. Barbara or Diane will update.

Policy IGB – Curriculum Research will be reviewed and updated, if needed, for December meeting by Jeff.

Motion to Adjourn by Jada, seconded by Barbara. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

**Next meeting:**  Scheduled for 12/11/24 at 4:30 in the Main Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

 *Diane Swenson*

 Diane Swenson, Chair