Harvard Public Schools - School Committee, Policy Subcommittee

APPROVED meeting minutes

Date: 1/25/21

Members present: Abby Besse, Suzanne Allen, Linda Dwight

Members absent: none
Others present: none

Location: zoom

Meeting convened at: 10:23

Agenda:

1. Public comment- none

- 2. Minutes Approval
- 3. Covid Policy Update
 - a. Learning model decision points
 - At capacity in person right now. Need to take spacing into consideration.
 Need the right of refusal to people that want to switch to the in person model.
 - b. School closure memo
 - i. Discussion of closure and when it is appropriate to move a class, grade or building to go remote based on positive results on the weekly screening.
 - ii. Need to define in school transmission
 - iii. Bring to full committee
 - c. Travel policy changes
 - Neither vaccination status nor history of Covid documented allow for changes to travel policy
 - d. Distancing in schools
 - Will need to decrease to 4 to 6 ft at TBS in order to get students in for more days
 - ii. Difficult to do at this time given new Covid variants that are more contagious
 - e. Eating in schools
 - i. Students eating only outside right now. Will need to change mask policy in order for students to eat in school. Can we consider eating lunch outside in the spring so students can go full days? Will need to consider as we move forward with planning for the spring.
- 4. J Policy review- not done today

5. Future Meetings

Policies that we have discussed that need to be approved by full committee:

- 1. JH- student attendance
- 2. JHD- legal review- done with sub committee 12.21- linda has copy?
- 3. JFAB- done with sub committee 12.21

Adjourned: 12:00

Next meeting: 2/10/21 9:15am

Minutes: Suzanne Allen