

Harvard Public Schools - School Committee, Policy Subcommittee

APPROVED meeting minutes

Date: 2/10/21

Members present: Abby Besse, Suzanne Allen, Linda Dwight

Members absent: none

Others present: none

Location: Held remotely via Zoom

Meeting convened at: 9:20

Agenda:

1. Public comment - none
2. Minutes Approval - approved with no changes
3. Covid Policy Review
 - a. **Retract Influenza Immunization Policy**
 - Removed to reflect removal of requirement from the state and ready to bring to full committee
 - b. **Responding to Known or Suspected Covid Cases:** Time in quarantine for close contacts: 14 day vs 10 day
 - Changed close contact policy to reflect CDC and MA regulations. Individual quarantine for 10 days if they test negative for COVID no sooner than 5 days after last exposure. If a family decides not to test, the quarantine extends to 14 days. Ready to bring to full committee for consideration.
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/more/scientific-brief-options-to-reduce-quarantine.html>
 - c. **Communication procedures**
 - Streamlined communication policy for positive cases and close contacts.
 - Nurses will call identified close contacts that fall within 6 ft. in the classroom or other
 - Weekly updates from the district will update number of positive cases, number of close contacts, and grade levels.
 - Created chart to complete and communicate weekly that informs families on the number of people tested, the number of positive pools, positive cases within the pool, number of people out with COVID and number of close contacts.

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

1. JH- student attendance- still pending legal review?
2. JHD- legal review- sub committee completed this policy 12.21- linda has copy?
3. JFAB- sub committee completed this policy 12.21

Adjourned: 11:15

Next meeting: 2/24 at 9:15

Minutes: Abby Besse