

*Ms. Mary A. Manning
Mr. James M. Fleming
Dr. Kristin Pangallo*



*Ms. Ana Nuncio
Mr. Manny Cruz
Ms. Amanda Campbell*

Mayor Kimberley Driscoll, Chair

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June 11, 2020 (Date Posted)

Salem School Committee Policy Subcommittee Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the **Salem School Committee will hold a Policy Subcommittee meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held using the Zoom on-line meeting platform.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84961817044?pwd=ZldGSmhUNEY3Z09JajlNem1hZXp2dz09>

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- Approve minutes from June 8, 2020
- Continue discussion on Policy 6409 Public Participation at School Committee meetings
- Review of policies:

- 3601 Transportation
- 4105 Staff Conduct with Student
- 5213 Field Trips and Excursions
- 5217 Student Publications:
- 5221 Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Programs:

- Continue review of policies in the 4000s and 5000s

Respectfully submitted by:

Jennifer Gariepy
Secretary to the School Committee

Salem Public Schools
Policy Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2020

On June 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. the Policy Subcommittee held a meeting using the Zoom on-line meeting platform.

In Attendance: Ana Nuncio, Manny Cruz, Mary Manning, Kimberley Driscoll, Kathleen Smith, Jill Conrad

Absent: James Fleming

Policy 6409 Public Participation at School Committee Meetings

Ms. Nuncio began the discussion on policy 6409. She would like the committee to make a decision about bringing this back to the full committee for a vote. There was a lengthy discussion on the policy. Ms. Nuncio had concerns about the public using public comment as a means to promote themselves. Ms. Manning had concerns about commenting in a negative way. This leaves the meeting on a bad note. Mayor Driscoll thinks the committee is on the right track. The Mayor thinks we have enough votes to support this change. The Mayor agrees public comment should be at the beginning of the meeting so people can address agenda items.

Mr. Cruz suggested the possibility of moving the order of public comment so it is not the last item on the agenda. The Committee decided they are in support of having one comment. Mayor Driscoll then discussed the possibility of developing a parent council. The Mayor thinks this will allow parents to have an opportunity to speak with us.

Ms. Nuncio made a motion to move the policy to the full committee. Mr. Cruz suggested we wait until the Equity and Engagement Committee met as they may have something to add to the policy in respect to developing a parent council. He would support a second reading once they have met. Ms. Manning had concerns about waiting for the Equity and Engagement Subcommittee to make decisions on this. There was additional discussion on this. Ms. Nuncio again motioned to move the policy to the full committee. Ms. Manning explained her concerns about the public understanding this is a working meeting.

Ms. Nuncio asked about making changes to the policy to incorporate public comment is not immediately addressed at the committee meeting. Mayor Driscoll added the possibility of having a parent open house prior to a school committee meeting. This would be a great opportunity for parents to engage with the Committee. This is something to do until the Equity and Engagement committee gets set up. She also explained we may need many parent meetings with the upcoming budget discussions. Dr. Conrad suggested amending the policy and develop a timeline for completion. She suggested adding a family engagement line.

After further discussion the Committee the Committee decided it would be best to hold an additional subcommittee meeting and add additional language to the policy and to make some amendments. These amendments can include parent engagement and address the on-line meeting component.

Meeting Minutes

Ms. Nuncio then explained the March 12, 2020 meeting minutes will be reviewed once we return to the buildings. She then requested a motion to approve the May 18, 2020 meeting minutes. Ms. Manning noted a couple of changes. Ms. Manning motioned to approve with the changes noted. Mr. Cruz seconded. Ms. Nuncio called the roll to approve the May 18, 2020 meeting minutes;

Ms. Manning: Yes
Mr. Cruz: Yes
Ms. Nuncio: Yes

Superintendent Smith asked if Mr. Fleming was invited to the meeting. Ms. Nuncio stated he is not attending these meetings. She further would like him listed as absent on the minutes.

The committee discussed their next meeting. It was decided to hold the next meeting on June 16, 2020 at 3:00 pm.

The Committee then discussed the possibility of holding future meetings on zoom. The Committee discussed having a technology person at a meeting. Jill suggested having Marc at the meeting.

Adjourn:

Ms. Nuncio motion to adjourn and Mr. Cruz seconded. Vote by rollcall:

Ms. Nuncio: Yes
Mr. Cruz: Yes

Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer A. Gariepy
Executive Assistant to the School Committee
& the Superintendent