

**Belmont School Committee
Policy Subcommittee Meeting
August 21, 2018
Conference Room of the School Administration Building**

Present: Ms. Susan Burgess-Cox
Ms. Kate Bowen
Ms. Tara Donner
Ms. Jill Norton
Ms. Andrea Prestwich
Mr. John Phelan, Superintendent
Ms. Mary Pederson

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM.

2. Review/Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion from Kate Bowen, seconded by Andrea Prestwich, the subcommittee reviewed and approved minutes from meetings held on March 6, 2018 and April 4, 2018 with Ms. Donner and Ms. Norton abstaining. Upon a motion by Kate Bowen, seconded by Andrea Prestwich, the committee voted unanimously to approve minutes from May 31, 2018.

3. Afterschool Programs

The group discussed current status of enrollment in Afterschool Program programs as well as continuing discussions regarding the options for both the direct and indirect involvement of in the district with these programs. The group agreed that families should be informed about the status of the district's work in relation to these programs including an update on enrollment. An update will be provided at the upcoming School Committee meeting of September 11, 2018.

4. Acceptable Use Protocol

Ms. Pederson presented amendments to the current acceptable use protocol that was reviewed and approved by district administrators and counsel. The changes are necessary due to the increase in usage of social media and other internet-based or electronic tools in teaching. The group reviewed the proposed protocol and agreed that it could be presented to the full School Committee for review and approval at the upcoming meeting of September 11, 2018.

5. Start Schools Later

The group reviewed the results of the parent and student surveys. Most participants agreed to start school later. Approximately 1/3 of the parent and student population

responded to the survey. The administration will discuss these results with staff and present the results to the full School Committee at an upcoming meeting.

6. Other Business

There was no other business to discuss.

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

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Susan Burgess-Cox