

BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
REMOTE MEETING
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DATE: June 16, 2022
TIME: 2:48 PM

Present: Ms. Catherine Bowen, Policy Subcommittee Chair
Ms. Meghan Moriarty
Mr. Michael Crowley

1. Called to order at 12:00 PM

2. Review Current MASC Face Covering Template, EBCFA

Members discussed the current and the draft MASC recommendation, and the differences between the two policies. There were noted three language items in the new MASC draft, 1) the face coverings for the health office - did these pose an insurmountable problem for operation, 2) encouragement for anyone to wear a mask - more supportive language, 3) language in the preface of the earlier policy.

Members discussed the need for "pivot" language in the current policy to shift to an alternate mode as conditions warrant by a vote of the School Committee. Member Moriarty asked whether or not policy is needed at the local control level for those items that are under federal regulation, such as the bus-related regulations.

3. Review Current BPS Face Covering Policy 5005-A

The current policy was reviewed relative to the MASC guidance and revised to allow for responsiveness in health conditions.

4. Recommended Draft Face Covering Policy - vote

Two revisions to policy were recommended, to sustain an ongoing face covering condition, i.e., optional with caveats for federal conditions; and to retain the September 2021 face coverings policy option to default to, in potential high transmission conditions.

Motion by Michael Crowley, and seconded by Meghan Moriarty that the revised policy on face coverings 5005-A and draft 5005-B be moved for discussion to the full School Committee.
Passed (3-0-0)

5. Adjourned at 1 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

