

**Monadnock Regional School District
Education/Technology Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2024
SAU Conference Room, Swanzey, NH**

Members Present: Stephanie Nikiforakis, Scott Peters, Gina Carraro and Edmond LaPlante.

Also Present: L. Aivaliotis, Recording Secretary.

1. **Call the Meeting to Order:** S.Peters called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. **Nomination for Chair: MOTION:** E.LaPlante **MOVED** to nominate S.Nikiforakis as the Ed/Tech Chair. **SECOND:** G.Carraro. **MOTION:** S.Nikiforakis **MOVED** to nominate G. Carraro as the Ed/Tech Chair. **SECOND:** S.Peters. **VOTE:** Voice vote for G. Carraro. **G. Carraro takes over the meeting.**
3. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
4. **Ed/Tech Charter:** The purpose of the Education/Technology Committee is to develop and support the following initiatives:
 1. To review and develop long-term educational planning such as curriculum material selection, assessment methods, and staffing strategies. Provide recommendations to the full school board to continuously align district policies IA (Instructional Goals) and IJ (Instructional Resources) with the board's long-term education vision
 2. To continuously review and draft changes to policy book I (Instruction), as well as policies specific to the use of technology, and forward those drafts as recommendations to the Policy Committee
 3. To review and maintain the district's strategic technology plan, ensure that:
 - a. Current technology honors legal requirements (state, federal),
 - b. All Students and Employees have modern, useful tools (including technology)
 4. To hear and review requests from the Administration, Students, Employees, and general public related to education or technology proposals and strategies. **The committee reviewed the Charter and will not make any changes.**
5. **2024/25 Ed/Tech Goals:** S. Nikiforakis suggested a Cell Phone Policy as a goal. She explained that it seems that cell phones are not an issue in the elementary schools. There is a Cell Phone Policy and an individual school policy. Policy GEBG needs to be found. The committee needs to find all of the cross-reference policies for the cell phone policy. It was commented that the Board set policy and the schools set procedure. S. Peters commented that a cell phone policy would take a night to create. The committee will come up with a goal to provide a recommendation to the Policy Committee regarding a cell phone policy. S. Nikiforakis suggested that the committee work on the cell phone policy first. The cell phone policy should be the same

for the students as well as the teachers unless it is a school purpose. She would say no cellphones in school at all.

The committee discussed the High Reliability School. The plan is for the administration and principals to spend the year working on Level One. Each school will produce their own plan. The committee should not be aggressive; it is the administration's work. The committee will review the information when the administration has completed their work. The committee discussed the goals of the committee and came up with the following:

Education Committee Goals for 2024/25:

1. By 07/03/24, provide a recommendation to the Policy Committee for an adjusted cell phone / personal devices policy

2. Present the board with a recommendation for philosophy level 2, including recommended policy changes, if any

a. By 8/14/24: Wellness/Nutrition

b. By 10/31/24: Attendance

c. By 12/26/24: Social / Emotional

d. By 01/30/25: Behavior

e. By 02/27/25: Ready for School

3. Dependent on timing of the district's work with the Highly Reliable Schools Framework, provide feedback or opinions to Administration and/or the Board regarding the process and direction as it happens

6. Questions for the Administration regarding the second level of the Philosophies: The committee created questions which they will use and work with the administration regarding each of the philosophies.

7. Setting the next meeting's date, time and agenda: The committee will meet on May 22, 2024.

8. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

9. Motion to adjourn: MOTION: S. Peters **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM. **SECOND:** E. LaPlante **VOTE:** Unanimous for those present. **Motion passes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Aivaliotis
Recording Secretary