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PITTSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 12, 2026, 4:15 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER – Sandie called the meeting to order at 4:23 p.m.

PRESENT – Supt. Dr. Sandie MacDonald, PMHS Principal Dr. Erik Anderson, PES Principal Kristen White, PMHS Assistant Principal Melissa Brown, and School Board Chair Sandra Adams

AGENDA – add policies JIAA, JICA, IHBAB, IHBH, IHBI, IKC, IKF, and AB for review and/or discussion, as well as proposed policies brought forward by the Site Council on March 5, 2026, at the School Board Meeting.

Minutes from January 22, 2026, committee meeting – Sandra made the motion, seconded by Erik, to approve the January 22, 2026, minutes. Vote 5-0.

Discussion and review of the following NH School Board Association (Required/Priority) Instructional Policies as compared to our existing policies:

IK – Earning of High School Credit – Achievement of Competencies – Update/modify to match NHSBA, last revised 06/10/2025. Our last review was October 4, 2018. First Reading – April 2 school board meeting

IMBC- Alternative Credit Options – rescind (rescinded June 2025 by NHSBA) – our last amendment was May 5, 2022 – vote on April 2 school board meeting

IKFG – Career Exploration, Readiness, Pathways, and Credentials- Motion made by Sandie and seconded by Erik to approve. Vote 5-0. First Reading at the April 2 school board meeting

Added policies:

JIAA – First Reading - rescind at the April 2 school board meeting

JICA – hold until April 9 for review

IHBAB – Special Education Evaluations (recommended by NHSBA)- to review with student Services Administrator

IHBH- review NHSBA 2025 NHSBA revision at April meeting

IHBI - Alternative Learning Programs and Individual Plans – replace current policy last reviewed in 2022. NHSBA sample policy was last reviewed 06/20/2025. First Reading April 2, 2026.

Optional Policy IKC – Academic Honors, Class Ranking, Valedictorian and Salutatorian - Update to incorporate NHSBA policy, last reviewed 09/01/2009. First Reading at the April 2 school board meeting

IKF – Graduation Requirements - Erik to update Handbook and policy will be First Reading at the April 2 school board meeting.

IHBH – Extended Learning Opportunities - hold until April for review and revision - last reviewed by NHSBA 06/10/2025. Our policy was last reviewed in 2023.

AB- Parental Bill of Rights – amended March 6 via House Bill 266. First Reading will be at the April 2 school board meeting.

Review of the Site Council proposed policies re: putting conduct and effort back on the report cards and a 3-tiered diploma system – standard diploma – 21 ¼ credits

22.25 credits (dual enrollment) with Distinction

3.0 or better GPA Diploma – Honors with Distinction

Updating Policy IKC will reflect the policy committee’s suggested levels of diplomas. First Reading on April 2

Next meeting to be held at 4:15 p.m. on April 9, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT – Sandie made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Erik at 5:48 p.m. Vote 5-0.