



Haverhill Public Schools - School Committee Hybrid Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2025

Governor Healey has extended pandemic-related authorizations thereby allowing remote and hybrid meeting options for public bodies through June 30, 2027.

Mayor Barrett read the following statement published for the record: those attending tonight's meeting should be aware that the meeting is being audio and video recorded by HCTV, Eagle Tribune and WHAV. Any audience members who wish to record any part of the meeting must inform the Chairperson who will announce the recording. This is to comply with the MA wiretap statute.

Roll Call.

Mayor Barrett, Chairperson called the meeting to order (7:05 pm) and requested a roll call vote:

Ms. Collins	Present in person	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Absent
Ms. Diaz	Present in person	Dr. Story	Absent
Ms. Ferguson	Absent	Ms. Sullivan	Present in person
Dr. Grannemann	Present in person	Attorney Rosa	Present in person
Mrs. Lalumiere	Present in person	Mayor Barrett	Present in person
Attorney Magliocchetti	Present in person		

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Student Advisory Council Report: David Martinez.

David was not in attendance at the meeting.

Mayor Barrett announced that an item would be taken out of order due to Mr. Russell's schedule.

Attorney Rosa: Policy Subcommittee Update, including a recommendation for approval (vote) of Policy File: IJNDG - Generative Artificial Intelligence, as indicated in the agenda material.

Attorney Rosa reported that the policy subcommittee had met earlier this month to review the policy developed by Mr. Russell, Technology Director and his team. He noted the policy subcommittee was recommending approval by the full school committee.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve Policy IJNDG - Generative Artificial Intelligence, as indicated in the agenda material. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative

0 members voted in the negative

0 members abstained

Motion passes

Superintendent Comments/Reports.

Introduction of Mrs. Jennifer Rubera, Walnut Square Principal and the NECC Peace Poetry Winners.

Mrs. Rubera reported that In April, students in grades 1-3 participated in the NECC Peace Poetry contest by writing and submitting their poems. Dr. Elle Yarborough noted that judging was challenging due to over 700 submissions, but students from the Composition and Literature classes at Northern Essex Community College selected the winners for each grade. She was excited to announce that some of our students have earned honorable mentions and placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd! Mrs. Rubera thanked the staff for their commitment to the program

Mrs. Rubera introduced each student who read their poem for the school committee.

Complete list of winners (students highlighted in bold blue attended the meeting and read their poems)

Grade 1:

1st Quinn

2nd Heithor

3rd Charles

Honorable Mention: Zavian S., **Dafina**, Evelyn, Lennox, Zaina, **Phoebe-Rain**, Lorelei, Callie, Mirianny, Abdiel, Avi, Gemma, Arlen, **Harris**, Sam, Logan, Ethan, Xavier, **Isaiah**, Emalynn, **Addilyn**, Amelia, **Aarush**, and Andre Lucas

Grade 2:

1st: Nubia-Jhene

Honorable Mention: Oghenemaro (Maro), Rowan, Delaney, **Elias**, **Hazel**, Avery, **Joshua P.**, **Lyla**, William, Kinsley, Sarina, Gabe, Parker, Joao, Jace, and Bella

Grade 3:

1st place: Hamida

Honorable Mention: Jaisaac, London, Addyson, Toby, Genesis, Bella, Daniella

Attorney Magliocchetti thanked Mrs. Rubera and thanked the students for attending and reading their wonderful poetry. He was uplifted by the great poetry.

Attorney Rosa also thanked the students for attending and reading their poetry and quoted Charles' words "peace is reading a book" and encouraged all students to read a book for peach each day.

Recognition of 2025 School Committee Scholarship Recipients, along with presentation of checks to students in attendance.

Mrs. McGillicuddy, School Committee Secretary read the scholarship recipients and Mayor Barrett and Vice Chairperson Rosa presented the checks.

Lucia	Antonelli	Russell	Leung
Julia	Camasso	Franklin	Longenecker
Dehkontee	Cooper	Kaleigh	Longenecker
Sienna	Cooper	Daniel	McGlashan
Brenna	Corcoran	Maggie	Morse
Olivia	DeCicco	John	Prendergast
Mikayla	DeFrank	Carli	Quinlan
Lauren	Downer	Gemma	Schoenfeld

Kylie	Etling	Sylvie	Schoenfeld
Cecilia	Geyer	Colin	Snyder
Alexander	Gomes	Jacqueline	Story
Megan	Gomes	Abigail	Towler
Grace	Grauwiler	Justin	Tran
Hanna	Holmes	Cale	Wood
Isabelle	Leger		

Public Comment.

Mr. Stephen Costa, Hunking School parent, expressed concerns with the school committee members, regarding unsettled contracts, non-renewed teachers and building matters. He thanked those school committee members who were leaving, especially Attorney Magliocchetti and Attorney Rosa for their service.

Mrs. Rubera introduced Serena (Honorable Mention – Grade 2) who read her poem.

Superintendent's Comments/Reports.

Superintendent's Request to approve a lease at 443 West Lowell Avenue, Haverhill, MA, for Moody Preschool Extension (request for a vote to approve) as noted in the FY26 budget.

Dr. Marotta recommended approval of the lease in order to begin construction for the Moody Preschool Extension that will allow for additional preschool space and free space for supplementary services for Greenleaf programs for earlier grade levels.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve lease at 443 West Lowell Avenue, Haverhill, MA, for Moody Preschool Extension as noted in the FY26 budget. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative

0 members voted in the negative

0 members abstained

Motion passes

Superintendent's recommendation to approve the amendment and lease extension between the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston (acting on behalf of St. James Parish, Haverhill, MA) and the City of Haverhill for the St. James School, located at 415 Primrose Street, Haverhill, MA, (request for a vote to approve) as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to approve the amendment and lease extension between the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston (acting on behalf of St. James Parish, Haverhill, MA) and the City of Haverhill for the St. James School, located at 415 Primrose Street, Haverhill, MA, as indicated in the agenda material. Attorney Rosa seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes
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Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative

Motion passes

0 members voted in the negative

0 members abstained

School Committee Reports/Communications.

Ms. Collins: “A day in the life of a Haverhill Public Schools Nurse” with a presentation by Ms. Nancy Thompson, BSN, RN, NCSN, Director of Health and Nursing Services, along with several members of the nursing staff.

Ms. Collins related May 6-12, 2025 Nurses’ Recognition Week, with May 7, 2025 being school nurses’ day. She wanted to bring attention to the unnoticed illnesses of students and the other chronic conditions that are handled daily by our school nurses. Ms. Collins, as a nurse practitioner, recognized the significant contributions of our school nurses.

Ms. Thompson introduced the school nurses present tonight, who included Katrina Sullivan, (DESE RN – Pentucket Lake School) Ms. Jenna Reilly (DESE RN- Consentino School) and Talia Graham (DESE RN) - District Resource Nurse, provided some background on the nursing staff credentials along with nursing statistics.

Ms. Katrina Sullivan, Pentucket Lake School, offered her perspective on the life of an elementary school nurse.

Ms. Jenna Reilly, Consentino School described one of her days at the school.

Ms. Talia Graham presented a chronology of her day at the high school (February 3, 2025).

Ms. Thompson recognized the professionalism of her team.

Mayor Barrett acknowledged the changes in the nursing profession and the complexities of student medical issues.

Dr. Grannemann asked how expert medical guidance was obtained in certain situations.

Ms. Thompson replied that Dr. Maddox, School Physician, was an excellent resource along with area hospitals and pharmacies.

Attorney Magliocchetti appreciated the presentation. He was most proud of the movement of nurses from the city to the school department. Attorney Magliocchetti acknowledged the important contributions of school nurses within the district.

Ms. Thompson commented on the role of the school nurse in the building.

Attorney Rosa asked about how the school nurse obtained immediate authorization.

Ms. Sullivan replied that there was verbal authorization (once) and suggested e-signatures for some functions.

Attorney Rosa thanked the school nurses for their efforts especially during the COVID pandemic.

Ms. Collins thanked the nurses for attending tonight's meeting and their hard work.

Mrs. Lalumiere & Ms. Sullivan: Presentation on Student Achievement and Growth K-8.

Ms. Sullivan stated that this topic was one of the most important goals of the school committee. She was interested in this year's efforts and progress.

Mrs. Bonnie Antkowiak, Chief of Teaching, Learning and Leading introduced Ms. Jennifer Peterson, Supervisor of ELA, PreK-12 and Ms. Kate Lally, Supervisor of Math, PreK-12.

Mrs. Antkowiak reviewed the goals and objectives along with Reading Overall and Math Overall.

Ms. Lally commented on the Math Overall (how have relative placements changed from fall to spring?) including Fall to Spring Math Grades 6-8 and Grades K-5. She stated that the district was trending to meeting the targets.

Dr. Marotta clarified that the target was for the end of the year.

Ms. Collins inquired about data points for prior years.

Ms. Lally replied that additional data will be available by the end of June and early July.

In response to Attorney Rosa's question on the positive impact of the new curriculum, Ms. Lally answered that students seem to have better retention of information.

Ms. Lally continued with a review of MLs (Multi-linguistic) and SWD (Students with Disabilities) in Math.

Mrs. Lalumiere questioned what other resources besides in-house support were available for students.

Ms. Lally described some of the outside services that students had access to in the classroom. She reviewed the slide entitled "Growth in Math".

Ms. Peterson went over the same slides for Reading.

Attorney Rosa asked how the scores would translate in terms of MCAS.

Ms. Peterson commented that iReady did not include any writing, which was the area of difficulty for students in MCAS testing.

In reference to Mrs. Lalumiere's question regarding adaptability of iReady, Ms. Peterson answered that the program did adapt to the student's needs.

Attorney Rosa followed up on Mrs. Lalumiere's question, does iReady delineate which area was a difficult one for students.

Ms. Peterson replied non-fiction and vocabulary was an issue for students.

Ms. Sullivan explained the differences between fiction and non-fiction.

Ms. Peterson noted that iReady could identify problem areas.

Ms. Collins was pleased with improvement but was concerned with the deficits in writing and asked what the process was for strengthening this area.

Ms. Peterson answered that Wit and Wisdom had a component (brand new this year) that would address this concern and hopefully improvement will be seen in subsequent years.

Mrs. Lalumiere offered that parents and teachers were made aware of difficult areas for their child.

Ms. Peterson noted that professional development opportunities were being explored for teachers of students with disabilities.

Mrs. Antkowiak summarized the next steps to continue the improvements with student achievement and growth K-8.

Mrs. Lalumiere asked if there were any discontinuation of grant funding for the school committee's consideration.

Ms. Peterson offered there were some new opportunities from DESE and other grant sources.

Mrs. Lalumiere noted the positive aspects of the WIN Block.

Attorney Rosa inquired about struggling readers and its impact on math word problems.

Mrs. Lally answered in grades 4-5 with the multi-step problems with the heaviest impact in grade 5.

The school committee thanked everyone for the presentation.

School Committee Community Announcements.

Mrs. Lalumiere asked about the many crossing guard openings in the district. She asked the community to apply for one of these positions (\$17.00/hour) to help with student safety.

Subcommittee Reports.

Dr. Grannemann: Budget and Finance Subcommittee Update. Dr. Grannemann did not have a report at this time.

New Business.

Superintendent's Recommendation to approve Warrant Number EV20250613 totaling \$2,182,698.00, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to approve Warrant Number EV20250613 totaling \$2,182,698.00, as indicated in the agenda material. Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Abstained		

8 members voted in the affirmative

Motion passes

0 members voted in the negative

1 member abstained

Superintendent's Recommendation to approve Warrant Number EV20250613A totaling \$4,964.55, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to approve Warrant Number EV20250613A totaling \$4,964.55, as indicated in the agenda material. Mrs. Lalumiere seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Abstained		

8 members voted in the affirmative

Motion passes

0 members voted in the negative

1 member abstained

Superintendent's request to declare items surplus and dispose of in accordance with city ordinances as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to declare items surplus and dispose of in accordance with city ordinances as indicated in the agenda material. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative

Motion passes

0 members voted in the negative

0 members abstained

Items by Consensus.

Superintendent's Recommendation to approve the Hybrid FY26 Public Hearing on FY26 Budget/Regular Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2025, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan to approve the Hybrid FY26 Public Hearing on FY26 Budget/Regular Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2025, as indicated in the agenda material. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative Motion passes
0 members voted in the negative
0 members abstained

Superintendent's Recommendation for approval use of facilities as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan Superintendent's Recommendation for approval of use of facilities as indicated in the agenda material. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative Motion passes
0 members voted in the negative
0 members abstained

A motion was made by Ms. Sullivan the field trip request(s) as indicated in the agenda material. Attorney Magliocchetti seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes
Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		

9 members voted in the affirmative Motion passes
0 members voted in the negative
0 members abstained

A motion was made by Attorney Magliocchetti to go into executive session, pursuant to (M.G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(2) and (3), to discuss matters related to the teachers' contract, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares. After concluding the closed session, the public body will **not** return to an open session. Attorney Rosa seconded the motion. The mayor requested a roll call vote with the following results:

Ms. Collins	Yes	Mrs. Ryan-Ciardiello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Ms. Sullivan	Yes
Dr. Grannemann	Yes	Attorney Rosa	Yes
Mrs. Lalumiere	Yes	Mayor Barrett	Yes

Attorney Magliocchetti	Yes		
		9 members voted in the affirmative	Motion passes
		0 members voted in the negative	
		0 members abstained	

Documents referenced in the meeting: [Final HSC Portfolio 06.12.25 \(1\) copy.pdf](#)