



Haverhill Public Schools - School Committee
Hybrid Regular Meeting Minutes of June 26, 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-Ciardello	Present (remote)
Ms. Diaz	Present (in-person)	Dr. Story	Present (in-person)
Ms. Ferguson	Absent	Ms. Sullivan	Absent
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.

Public Comment (In-person and remote).

Ms. Jenny Greene noted that she had incorrectly signed up for public comment and only wished to attend the meeting.

Superintendent Comments/Reports.

Introduction of Ms. Lorna Marchant, Supervisor of Attendance to provide an update on attendance for the school year 2024-2025.

Ms. Marchant commented that the attendance rates showed improvement this year. She reviewed a presentation with the school committee members. Ms. Marchant acknowledged the hard work of individuals in the district who were instrumental in assisting with the attendance efforts.

Ms. Diaz asked about attendance procedures at the high school.

Ms. Marchant related that attendance was reported as of the beginning of the day. She noted the difference with daily attendance and period attendance records.

Dr. Marotta wished to have a better understanding of the concerns and requested some examples.

Attorney Rosa noted that several schools had made significant progress in improving attendance.

The superintendent reported that Hunking School Principal Timothy Betty had made school attendance a school-wide goal.

Dr. Story inquired about specific action steps proposed at the high school in order to improve school attendance.

Ms. Marchant commented on some actions such as partnering with parents to address this issue..

Dr. Story requested an update from the high school on attendance in the late fall.

Attorney Magliocchetti stated that attendance was a huge issue. He inquired about the impact of consistency throughout a student's school career.

Ms. Marchant had not heard of this effort.

Attorney Magliocchetti said some parents had commented that their child had a good relationship with a school counselor and when they changed grades, they had a new counselor assigned to them.

Mrs. Lalumiere mentioned the Bridge Program and its significance.

Dr. Marotta replied that attendance and grades had improved for the student(s) involved in the program.

Mrs. Lalumiere noted the commitment needed by staff members to follow a student through their school career.

Ms. Marchant added that there were transition teams that assisted with grade level changes.

School Committee Reports/Communications.

Attorney Rosa: Haverhill Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) Chairperson Mandy LaClair and Secretary Zwadita Morrison will provide the Haverhill School Committee with an update.

Attorney Rosa thanked Ms. LaClair and Ms. Morrison for attending tonight's meeting to provide an update.

Ms. LaClair and Ms. Morrison offered a presentation on SEPAC.

Mrs. Lalumiere suggested targeted meetings to specific grade levels.

Ms. LaClair stated that there were many sign-ups but few actual attendees.

There was discussion on how to improve the involvement of parents with SEPAC.

Dr. Marotta would continue to find ways to improve parental engagement with this group.

Ms. Diaz suggested Facebook LIVE as a virtual possibility.

Attorney Rosa stressed the 100% volunteer work done by Ms. LaClair and Ms. Morrison. He stated that they should not be discouraged, because they were making an impact.

Mayor Barrett thanked Ms. LaClair and Ms. Morrison for their presentation.

Attorney Rosa: Supervisor of Career Technical Education 5-12 and Dean of Business and Technology at Haverhill High School, Victoria Kelley will provide an overview of the new CTE programming in the fall at Haverhill High School.

Attorney Rosa thanked Ms. Kelley for attending tonight's meeting.

Ms. Kelley related that her fine arts team including Dr. Ellen Mullane, Dean of Fine Arts at Haverhill High School was present this evening. She referenced her PowerPoint presentation while providing an overview of the new CTE programs.

Dr. Mullane reported on the methods to introduce these new programs.

Ms. Kelley commented that the district was awaiting news on Chapter 74 funding. She emphasized that the program was aligning with community, district and student needs. Ms. Kelley explained that the program would assist students in identifying their pathway.

Ms. Collins stated that the growth of the program was indicative of the importance of CTE.

Dr. Marotta acknowledged Ms. Kelley's strength in writing and securing grant funding.

In response to Ms. Collins' question on funding, Ms. Kelley answered the diligence required to fund these essential student programs.

Dr. Marotta outlined the substantial expenses (costs) associated with these programs and the required planning.

Attorney Rosa acknowledged Ms. Kelley's passion for Career Technical Education. He noted the potential for diversity in our teaching ranks from these programs.

Mayor Barrett was thankful that Haverhill was willing to take on these programs.

Attorney Magliocchetti: Teachers' Negotiations Update.

Attorney Magliocchetti stated that there had been six meetings and the HEA had provided 60 proposals. He commented that there was a difference between the parties of \$22M. Attorney Magliocchetti and the negotiating team had proposed 5 additional dates. MTA has taken a strong position, for children and families, class sizes are low, curriculum and programs fairly compensated do not want to layoff teachers, oppose increasing \$937 over three years.

School Committee Community Announcements. There were no announcements.

Subcommittee Reports. There were no subcommittee reports at this meeting.

New Business.

Superintendent’s Recommendation to approve Warrant Number EV20250627 totaling \$839,388.22, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Attorney Rosa to approve Warrant Number EV20250627 totaling \$839,388.22, 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	Dr. Story	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 to approve Warrant Number EV20250626A totaling \$1,190.96, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lalumiere to approve Warrant Number EV20250626A totaling \$1,190.96, 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	Dr. Story	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 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. Diaz 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	Dr. Story	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 for approval of the Hybrid Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2025, as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lalumiere to approve the Hybrid Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 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-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Dr. Story	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 of use of facilities as indicated in the agenda material.

A motion was made by Ms. Diaz to approve the 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-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Dr. Story	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 by Attorney Magliocchetti to go into executive session (8:32 pm), pursuant to (M.G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(2) and (3), to discuss matters related to the hiring of an Assistant Superintendent and to the teachers’ and ESP contracts, 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-Ciardello	Yes
Ms. Diaz	Yes	Dr. Story	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 reference in the meeting: [HSC Portfolio 06.26.25.pdf](#); [School Committee New HHS CTE June 2025 \(2\).pdf](#)