## BDEX ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASKFORCE MEMBERS

The Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School Committee, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 71, section 37 has the responsibility for establishing educational goals and policies for the school district. The Committee also enters into collective bargaining contracts with its public employee unions, reviews and approves the budget and payment warrants, is responsible for evaluating and making hiring decisions regarding the Superintendent-Director and some other positions, and such other powers granted by law.

The full Committee meets at least monthly but accomplishes much of its work via subcommittees or task forces that research and discuss issues, then make recommendations to the full Committee for action. These subcommittees meet and collaborate with the Superintendent-Director in developing recommendations. The subcommittees' work is time-consuming and requires specific expertise to produce high quality reports and recommendations. At times, the membership of the Committee may not possess the expertise necessary to accomplish all review and recommendation roles efficiently.

## Duties

The Committee may from time to time choose to appoint one or more individuals with particular expertise to any of its many subcommittees or task forces, in the role of non-voting advisory member, to serve as a consultant to the subcommittee or task force. The Committee is grateful for the service of these expert individuals, who, like the Committee, serve without compensation. Unlike the members of the Committee, they do not have to come from a particular town, or from a member town. Their role is to provide the benefit of their expertise in a particular area in order to assist the work of the subcommittee or task force to which they have agreed to be appointed.

## Appointment

Advisory members of subcommittee(s) and task force(s) shall be recommended for Committee approval by the officers of the Committee, who shall ascertain the willingness of the experts to serve on a specific subcommittee or task force.

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They may serve only if approved by the vote of a majority of the full Committee, for a term that ends on June 30 of the school year in which they are appointed. The Committee may terminate the appointment at any time, or renew the appointment for another school year, by a majority vote of the full Committee.

To ensure that they do not give additional power to any member town, advisory members are nonvoting members of the subcommittees or task forces to which they are appointed and under no circumstances shall vote on any matter before them. They must comply with any and all applicable Massachusetts statutes, regulations and rules pertaining to the District, including the Conflict of Interest and the Open Meeting Law*, as well as all applicable policies of the Committee. As nonvoting advisory members, they are not considered special municipal employees for purposes of the Conflict of Interest statute. The number of advisory members shall not exceed the number of voting school committee members on any subcommittee or task force.
*The same training that Committee members undergo is required.

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