

Haverhill School Committee
Policy BCB

COMMITTEE MEMBER CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A School Committee member shall not have any direct personal and pecuniary interest in a contract with the school district, nor shall he or she furnish directly any labor, equipment, or supplies to the district.

In the event a Committee member is employed by a corporation or business or has a secondary interest in a corporation or business which furnishes goods or services to the school district, the Committee member shall declare his interest and refrain from debating, discussing, or voting upon the question or contracting with the company. Such disclosure shall be made in writing and shall be kept open to inspection by the public.

It is not the intent of this policy to prevent the district from contracting with corporations or businesses because a Committee member is an employee of the firm. The policy is designed to prevent placing a Committee member in a position where his interest in the public schools and his interest in his place of employment (or other indirect interest) might conflict, and to avoid appearances of conflict of interest even though such conflict may not exist.

Vendor Relations

The district will not purchase supplies, materials, or services from a member of the School Committee or from a member of his or her household or from a firm in which he or she holds a major interest.

Several sections of M.G.L. CH. 268A. Sections 19, 20