

VENDOR RELATIONS

[Chair note: This update was mostly trying to make the wording clearer. The message is that staff can say no to vendors who want appointments to discuss their products. Also, the committee supports purchasing from local businesses when this makes financial sense.]

Whenever economically sensible, the school committee wishes to support area businesses for supplies and materials.

~~Representatives of firms doing or hoping to do business with the school system will be acknowledged and interviews granted or not, depending on the circumstances. Personnel charged with the purchasing function will not be required to put their time at the indiscriminate use of sales personnel, who will limit their visits to staff members designated by school officials.~~

School district purchasing personnel will not be required to ~~put~~ spend their time at the indiscriminate use of sales personnel and should use discretion when dealing with vendor requests for time and attention.

SOURCE: MASC

Policy Subcom 1st review: 5.4.16; 2nd Subcom review 9.29.16

Unanimous recommendation for SC to have 1st reading on 10.12.2016