

POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
April 18, 2023

The Policy Committee met on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 7:00 a.m. at O'Neill Middle School.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 a.m.

Present: Co-Chair Tracy Weiner, Superintendent Dr. Kevin Russell, Melissa Jerves, Jackelyn Cadard, Chris Covino, Brett Kurtenbach, Michelle McGarry, Justin Sisul, Abhay Shah, Jason Suchy, Fanny Vlahos, Britta Waszak, Jayne Yudzentis.

Absent: Gregory Harris, Barbara Allen, Briana Butts, Allen Dougherty, Janna Hoppe, Matthew Joyce, Michael Krugman, Catherine Lanucha, Erin Menet, Briana Richardson, Steve Siemek.

Approval of Minutes

Abhay Shah moved and Fanny Vlahos seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022 committee meeting. Motion carried.

PRESS Issue 111

Dr. Russell noted that the majority of the updates in this PRESS issue are due to *Faith's Law*, which provides guidelines for appropriate conduct of educators and requirements for reporting abuse and neglect, as well as requirements for hiring staff. The committee then reviewed and discussed the following policies:

- 2:100 – Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers – Faith's Law update
- 4:40 – Incurring Debt – 5-year review
- 4:60 – Purchases and Contracts – Faith's Law update
- 5:30 – Hiring Process and Criteria – Faith's Law update
- 5:90 – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting – Faith's Law update
- 5:125 – Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct – language update
- 5:150 – Personnel Records – Faith's Law update
- 5:260 – Student Teachers – legal references updated
- 5:285 – Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers – 5-year review
- 6:135 – Accelerated Placement Program – removes language only applicable to high school districts
- 6:210- Instructional Material – 5-year review
- 6:230 – Library Media Program – omits optional language regarding adopting ALA Library Bill of Rights
- 8:20 – Community Use of School Facilities – legal references updated
- 8:70 – Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities – 5-year review

These policy updates will be recommended to the Board for first reading at the May 8, 2023 board meeting.

Policy 7:270 – Administering Medicines to Students

Dr. Russell shared a draft update to Policy 7:270, which adds a paragraph regarding the school district supply of undesignated opioid antagonists (naloxone hydrochloride). This language has been recommended by the county and District nursing staff so that schools can be prepared in the event a student, staff member or visitor experiences an overdose. Nursing staff would provide training to the rest of staff.

Policy 5:330 – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves

The update to this policy removes a suggested chart regarding vacation days because it is not aligned with District 58 collective bargaining agreements and employee handbooks. The remainder of the changes in the policy align with recent legislation.

Public Comment

No comments were made at this time.

Adjournment

Britta Waszak moved and Jayne Yudzentis seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 a.m.