

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 3:30 PM

Attendees: Maria Barth, Kenny Rotner, Denise Day, Wendy DiFruscio, James Morse

Visitors: 0

Called to order at 3:30 by Dr. Morse

Dr. Morse asked for nomination for a Policy Committee Chair. Denise Day nominated Maria Barth, seconded by Kenny Rotner. Vote 3-0.

In the future, Jim suggested 90 minute policy meetings with a limit of approximately six policies at a time. Jim reviewed what to expect at upcoming policy meetings, how policies proceed from the committee to the School Board for first read and then for second read/adoption. Jim re-iterated Al Howland's suggestion that when policies go to the School Board, for clarification purposes, put a narrative on the policy as to why this is going to the Board, i.e. legal, updating, new required policy. Also, policies at the Board level will not be picked apart for comma's etc. It will be stopped at that point and sent back to policy for revisions.

Jim reviewed and explained the current list of policies and where they stand. Also, reviewed the agenda presented and which policies were listed. The majority of the agenda was for policies returned from a past School Board meeting for re-review by policy committee.

Policy EEA – Student Transportation – This policy was returned to the committee by the School Board to review the revisions made to re-insert the original language that was removed. Transportation supervisor was replaced with Transportation Director throughout. Ready to be returned to School Board for second read/adoption.

Policy BHC– Board-Employee Communications – There was confusion of the interpretation of the language used in this policy. Jim made a revision to the language used and it will be added to the existing policy. Discussion ensued and this policy will be returned to the School Board with revision for second read adoption.

Policy BGF – Suspension of Policies – Policy committee reviewed and made revisions to the existing policy. Will go to the School Board for second read/adoption.

Policy KHB – Advertising in the Schools – The revision made by the School Board will be updated and the policy will go back to the School Board for second read/adoption.

Policy GCO – Reviewed the suggestions made by the School Board. Clarified an amendment that was made and this policy will return to the School Board for second read/adoption.

Policy IIB – Class Size – will be sent to the principals and special education department for input and suggested revisions. This policy will be placed on hold until this information is compiled and then brought back to policy committee for review and revision.

Policy BCA – School Board Member Ethics – This policy was sent back to the committee at the request of one of the School Board Members for review. This was reviewed and decided that no changes need. Will be updated with new review date and statement of no changes added.

Policy JLCJ – Concussions and Head Injuries – Sent to Corey Parker for review and revision and also suggested he participate in the next policy meeting to discuss his changes and suggestions.

Meeting ended at 5:00 PM – Next meeting to be held on June 11th at 3:30 PM. Suggestion made that this committee meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month.