

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 @ 3:30 PM

Attendees: Denise Day, Tom Newkirk, James Morse, Wendy DiFruscio Absent: Kenny Rotner

Visitors: Susan Caswell

Denise called the meeting to order at 3:35 PM.

Dr. Morse opened the meeting by stating that we have brought back the Policy JICD – Student Discipline and Due Process that the committee sent back to principals for feedback. It was determined that removal of language allowing students to participate in afterschool non-academic activities needs to happen, and language added that Board approval is needed for an out-of-school suspension. Clarification received on the superintendent's authority to extend beyond the 10 days. The committee reviewed the revisions and this policy is ready for a first read.

Tom asked about House Bill 577 and its effect on the current student discipline policy. Jim explained that this is being brought out at the state level, but actual stems from a certain school district within New Hampshire. If the law passes then the current policy will be reviewed against the new law.

Policy Code to be determined – Allowable Use of Funds & Adherence to Uniform Grant Guidance – Sue Caswell explained that this policy is one that the district currently does not have and that it is being brought forth at the request of the auditors. There was a question asked if this was an NHSBA policy. Sue explained that NHSBA is in the process of discussing a similar policy for their manual. If that happens we will bring back the auditor's version back for comparison to the NHSBA version, but at the present time we need to start the process to adopt this policy. No additional questions were asked, and this policy will go for a first read.

Policy Code to be determined – Federal Cash Management – Sue explained that this is another policy that the district does not have and is being brought forward at the request of the auditors. Again, this policy will be reviewed and revised if a similar policy is brought forth by NHSBA. There were no additional questions asked and this is ready for a first read.

Policy IJ – Guidance Program – After a review by the counseling director, it was determined that this is an outdated policy and can be deleted. The contents of this deleted policy are covered under Policy JLD – School Guidance and Counseling Program.

No additional questions or comments.

Meeting ended at 3:50 PM – Next meeting March 13, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy L. DiFruscio