

Policy Committee
Of the Hamden Board of Education

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021

Committee Members: Melinda Saller
Administration: Jody Goeler, Sue Smey
Attendee: Arturo Perez-Cabello, ex-officio member

1. Call to order and roll call 6:02 PM
2. Additions to the agenda
 - a. No additions
3. Public Comment on Action and Information Items
 - a. No public comments
4. Information Item
 - a. School Calendar information regarding observed holidays and high holy days
Beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, the one-page school calendar will include information for parents on the expectations for assignments, projects, exams and other academic deadlines when they fall on observed religious or secular days.
 - b. Policy# 5145.53 Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth was written and approved prior to the 2017 Guidance on Civil Rights Protections and Supports. The policy will be reviewed and updated as needed and brought to the Policy Committee for approval.
 - c. Beginning this school year students will receive a new student Acceptable Use Policy Agreement that explains the expectations and student responsibilities for use of Hamden issued devices.
5. Action Items
 - a. Approval to revise Hamden Board of Education Policy #4118.5 Acceptable Computer Network Use (staff)

No action was taken.
6. Comments from Board Members
 - a. Arturo Perez, Chairman of the Board of Education reiterated the importance of reviewing Policy# 5145.53 Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth since it was approved prior to the release of the Guidance on Civil Rights.
7. Adjourned at 6:38 PM