

POLICY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: November 29, 2021

Place: Havemeyer building

Present: Christina Downey (chair)
Kathleen Stowe
Karen Hirsh
Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent

Meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Ms. Stowe and seconded by Ms. Hirsh. Motion passed 3-0.

1. Approve Minutes

A motion to revise the draft minutes from 10/7/21 to add “policies and” prior to “regulations.” under item #2 was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion to approve the revised minutes from 10/7/21 was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion to approve the minutes from 11/8/21 and 11/11/21 was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

2. Discussion of Policies Presented to the Board for First Read

Ms. Downey noted that a Board member had a question regarding Policies 4000.1 and 5145.44, which had been forwarded to Shipman and Goodwin. Ms. Downey also noted that another Board member had suggested the addition of the word “creed” to Policy 0521 and regulation 0521R and that she would confer with CABA to ensure this addition could be made.

Dr Jones noted that administration would revise regulations 0521R, 4000.1R, 5145.44R

The Committee discussed Policy 3542.41 and it was noted that the Director of Food Services should review the policy. A motion to change two references of “Food Service Director” to “Director of Food Services” was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion to replace the word “designated” with “appropriate” in the third paragraph on page two of Regulation 5141.5R was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

The Committee discussed whether the current guidelines for Policy 5144.4 were sufficient or if updated regulations were needed.

The Committee discussed and a motion was made to revise item six in Policy 6142.10 to read that parents are “active *partners* in their child’s education”, not *participants* as the language better aligns with current GPS language was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

The Committee discussed questions as to how language in Policy 6142.101 might affect fundraising activities and noted that the policy states we should “attempt to comply” which seems to leave give some leeway. A motion to add “during the school day” after the words “sales to students in school” in the 5th paragraph was made by Ms. Downey and seconded by Ms. Stowe. Motion passed 3-0.

The Committee also discussed how to best ensure that all Policies, regulations and included documents be translated properly and available in Spanish and other languages. The Committee will confirm whether BoardDocs has a built-in “translate” option that is similar to that of the one on available on the GPS website.

3. New Business

No new business was discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Stowe and seconded by Ms. Hirsh. Motion passed 3-0.

Adjourned 11:24 a.m.

Approved 2/1/2022

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