

Board of Education Policy & Legislation Committee
October 28, 2021, 5:30 p.m.
Via Zoom

Attendees:	<u>Committee Members</u>	<u>Central Office</u>
	Ann Sweeney, Chair	Marissa Blakeslee
	Juanita Hernandez	Darren Schwartz
	Charles Stango	Attorney Tara Shaw
	Karen Harvey	Dr. Verna Ruffin
	Amanda Nardozzi	

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by the Chair.

Item 1:

New policy Preschool Special Education-6172.2

Marissa Blakeslee gave a brief overview of the new policy. She stated it simply codifies what the district is currently doing for preschool special education students, including screening and assessments. It also states that preschool students who qualify for free and reduced price lunch are not charged tuition for the preschool program.

Motion to recommend approval of new policy Preschool Special Education-6172.2.

Made by Charles Stango, 2nd by Juanita Hernandez.

Yeas/5, Nays/0, Abstentions/0.

Final draft will be presented at Workshop.

Item 2:

Continued Discussion: Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming youth-5145.53

Continued discussion on this required policy. Policy has been tweaked to suggestions of the committee in previous discussion. Attorney Shaw provided background and stated that she believes we have adjusted all language we can within the requirements of the law. There were several concerns raised about safety of all students regardless of gender identity, and possible liability for the district. A hyperlink and reference to the districts bullying policy 5131.911 will be added to the section titled “Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying”. The committee agreed they were satisfied with the current draft with the addition of the above.

Motion to recommend approval of Model Policy for Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth-5145.53

Motion by Charles Stango, 2nd by Karen Harvey.

Yeas/5, Nays/0, Abstentions/0.

Final draft will be presented at Workshop.

Item 3:

Continued discussion: Proposed Rules & Regulations Appendix

The Chair explained the five sections of Policy 9010 where an appendix entry would be appropriate. A full text of the referenced polices may be cumbersome, and a hyperlink may be more appropriate and manageable. The committee agreed to have it put in a draft format for review at the next committee meeting.

Item 4:

Continued discussion: Proposed Board Member Handbook

Continued discussion included:

- 1) The Committee has reviewed the sections “Board Member Attendance” and “Meeting Norms” and agrees with those additions
- 2) Revision to Sample Agenda to preclude all motions with “I”. Chair had forgotten to have it updated for the current draft. Ex: **I** motion to receive and place on file....
- 3) Addition of the following to the Chart of Parliamentary Motions:
Per Robert’s Rules of Order as distributed by CABE
- 4) Wherever appropriate, hyperlinks to policy and/or legal references will be provided.
- 5) Our Mission Statement will be added to the front cover.

The Committee requested an updated draft for review at the next committee meeting.

Item 5:

Scheduling of the next meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled for November 16, 2022 at 5:30pm.

Motion to adjourn

Made by Juanita Hernandez, 2nd by-Amanda Nardoizzi

Yeas/5, Nays/0, Abstentions/0.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:38pm

Minutes prepared by Ann Sweeney