

Committee on Policy and Legislation

September 9, 2020

Minutes prepared by Ann Sweeney

Committee Members Present:

Ann Sweeney, Chair

Karen Harvey

Charles Stango

Jason Van Stone

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm

Item 1: COVID Grading 2020/2021

Presented by Darren Schwartz

Grading formula for the 2020/2021 school year in response to reopening of schools during pandemic. All grade levels will be graded:

- 75% Assignments - Student performance on assignments that are aligned to standards.
- 25% Assessments - Student performance on formative and summative assessments that are aligned to standards. There are no midterms or finals.
- The grading scale will be 50%-100% on all assignments, assessments and final grades.
- All other grading policies remain in effect for the 2020-2021 school.

This is a more standards based approach to grading that provides equity and opportunities to all students regardless of their circumstances during the pandemic, those who return to school buildings and those who attend virtually.

Darren explained the rationale behind the floor grade at 50 as allowing students who fall behind due to issues related to the pandemic the opportunity to catch up and maintain a grade reflective of content mastered.

Darren will present for the Board at the September 17th regular meeting and answer questions and concerns.

Motion to recommend approval of COVID grading 2020/2021 for the 2020/2021 school year – motion by Jason Van Stone, seconded by Charles Stango, passed unanimously

Item 2: Next Policy and Legislation Meeting

Presented by Chair Ann Sweeney

Next meeting of Policy and Legislation will be September 24th at 5:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn – motion by Karen Harvey, seconded by Charles Stango, passed unanimously.

Committee adjourned at 6:07 pm.