

**Oak Park and River Forest High School
201 North Scoville Avenue
Oak Park, IL 60302**

**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
December 14, 2006**

A Policy Committee meeting was held on Thursday, December 14, 2006, in the Board Room of the Oak Park and River Forest High School. Dr. Millard called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. Committee members present were Barbara P. Fernandez, Valerie J. Fisher, Dr. Barry S. Greenwald, Yasmin A. Ranney, and John P. Rigas. Also present were Susan J. Bridge, Superintendent/Principal, Jason Edgecombe, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Cheryl L. Witham, Chief Financial Officer; Philip M. Prale, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Amy Hill, Director of Instruction; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board.

Visitors included: Kay Foran, Director of Community Relations and Communications and James Paul Hunter, F.S.E.C. Chair.

Acceptance of November 7, 2006 Committee Meeting Minutes

Hearing no amendments to the minutes of the November 7, 2006 Policy Committee meeting, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Consideration of Policies for First Reading and Action

Policy 5110, Student Rights and Responsibilities

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 5110, Student Rights and Responsibilities, for first reading and action at its regular December Board of Education meeting. This policy language change included the update of the types of protected classes in item C. delineated by law and noted in other Board of Education policies.

Policy 5111, Student Freedom of Expression

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 5111, Student Freedom of Expression, for first reading and deletion at its regular December Board of Education meeting. The policy is being considered for deletion due to the fact that the language of the policy is replicated in Policy 5110, Student Rights and Responsibilities.

Policy 5112, Waiver of School Fees and Charges

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 5112, Waiver of School Fees and Charges, for first reading and

action at its regular December Board of Education meeting. The amendment to this policy includes the deletion of the definition of fees and noting that in order for students to qualify for a waiver of school fees, the parents and/or guardians must meet the guidelines set by the Federal government and *The School Code of Illinois*.

Policy 5113, Student Accident Insurance

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 5113, Student Accident Insurance, for first reading and action at its regular December Board of Education meeting. The amendment to this policy reflects the fact that basic student accident insurance is provided for all students while on school grounds or while participating in a school-sponsored activity at no cost to the student or parent/ guardian and that supplemental student accident insurance is provided on an optional basis through an independent insurance agency.

Consideration of Policies for Second Reading

Policy 20, Board of Education

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 20, Board of Education, for amendment at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Policy 4111, Safety Program

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education adopt Policy 4111, Safety Program, as presented at its regular December Board of Education meeting. The adoption of this policy allows O.P.R.F.H.S. to be compliant with the new state law.

Policy 4370, Mandated Reporting Responsibilities

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the amendment of Policy 4370, Mandated Reporting Responsibilities, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Combining of Policy 6134, Instructional Materials, and Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Support Materials

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the combining of Policy 6134, Instructional Materials, and Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Support Materials, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Policy 6150, Adjunct Programs

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the amendment of Policy 6150, Adjunct Programs, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Policy 6210, Field Trips

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the deletion of Policy 6210, Field Trips, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented. This information is presently included in Section V, Policy 5136, Student Travel.

Policy 6220, Tutoring and Therapy

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the amendment of Policy 6220, Tutoring and Therapy, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Support Materials

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the deletion of Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Support Materials, at its regular December Board of Education meeting, as presented. The language of this policy is embedded in Policy 6134.

Discussion of Discipline Procedures

The discussion of discipline procedures was tabled until the January meeting.

Adjournment

The Policy Committee adjourned at 8:32 a.m.