A Policy Committee meeting was held on Thursday, October 15, 2009, in the Board Room of the Oak Park and River Forest High School. Dr. Millard called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m. Committee members present were Dr. Ralph H. Lee, Dr. Dietra D. Millard, and Terry Finnegan. Board members present were John C. Allen, Amy Leafe McCormack and Sharon Patchak-Layman. Also present were Dr. Attila J. Weninger, Superintendent; Jason Edgecombe, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board.

Visitors included Kay Foran, Community Relations and Communications Coordinator and James Paul Hunter, Faculty Senate Executive Committee Chair.

Acceptance of September Committee Minutes
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to accept the minutes of the September 2009 Committee meeting, as presented.

Consideration of the following Policies for Second Reading and Action
Policy 6130, Objections To Instructional Materials (Revision)
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 6130, Objections to Instructional Materials, at its regular October Board of Education meeting, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Policy 6131, Objections To Materials In Library Collection (Revision)
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 6131, Objections to Instructional Materials, at its regular October Board of Education meeting, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Policy 6133, Consultation With Parents and Teachers (Revision)
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 6133, Consultant with Parents and Teachers, at its regular October Board of Education meeting, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Ms. Patchak-Layman asked that the guidelines for involvement be developed with the parent and guardian committee as opposed to excluding them as a way to make them feel a part of the school.
Mr. Prale reported that the program is not of a scale where parental involvement with the
development of the guidelines was thought to be needed and that parents are involved as part of the
program. He did not know if there were a desire for this by parents; parents are asked to evaluate the
program.

Policy 6134, Instructional Materials
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education
that it amend Policy 6134, Instructional Materials, at its regular October Board of Education
meeting, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Consideration of the following Policies for First Reading and Action
Policy 5119, Home-Schooled and Non-public School Students
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education
approve Policy 5119, Home-Schooled and Non-public School Students, for First Reading, at its
regular October Board of Education meeting.

It was explained that the changes were related to the appeal process. The appeal process and
chart were updated.

Per a request, Dr. Weninger will report on the number of part-time students attending OPRFHS
at a later date.

Policy 5127, Alternative Credit
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education
approve Policy 5127, Alternative Credit, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of
Education meeting.

The Committee was informed that the courses that students attending the from Associate District
schools will appear on the high school transcript, apply to graduation requirements, and count
 toward class rankings.

The proposed amendments are regarding consumer education. The Business Ed Department
announces the dates for the consumer proficiency tests. The classes designated as dual credit are
noted in the Academic Catalog. Courses that are taught at OPRFHS by OPRFHS teachers are
included on the transcript.

Policy 5136, Student Travel
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education
approve Policy 5136, Student Travel, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of
Education meeting.

It was noted that an aide has regular routes for Special Education and school employees have the
responsibility to follow the procedures.
Policy 6135, Bookstore
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6135, Bookstore, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

It was noted that the Illinois State Loan Program is defunct this year.

Policy 6150, Adjunct Programs
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6150, Adjunct Programs, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

All adjunct programs were included in the policy.

Policy 6220, Tutoring and Therapy
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6220, Tutoring and Therapy, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

It was noted that staff members are not allowed to tutor a suspended student for extra pay.

Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Materials
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6400, Instructional and Recreational Materials, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The policy now includes media and is more explicit.

Policy 6500, Education of Children with Disabilities
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6500, Education of Children with Disabilities, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

Policy 10, Introduction
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 10, Introduction, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting with the following enhancement:

Line 1: After the word “School” add “District 200”.

The original changes were made to emphasize the importance of OPRFHS employees to be committed to providing a quality education for every student.
Policy 12, American Flag
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 12, American Flag, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Policy 30, Policy Changes
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 30, Policy Changes, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Policy 100, Statement of Philosophy
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 100, Statement of Philosophy, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature. Since Policy 100, Statement of Philosophy, was written the District has committed itself to make sure that all students achieve at the highest potential and that their success is not predicated on race, class, or disability. This policy does not reflect that but it does not exclude it. Dr. Millard will send sample language to Dr. Weninger for review and possible inclusion.

Policy 101, Human Dignity and Diversity
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 101, Human Dignity and Diversity, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Policy 101-A, Gender Equity
It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 101-A, Gender Equity, for First Reading, at its regular October Board of Education meeting.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Discussion
Evaluation of Committee Structure
It was the consensus of the Committee members to return to committees of the whole rather than a three-member committee and to be understanding of those times when people are unable to attend because of other professional needs.
Ms. Patchak-Layman asked to have two evening meetings per month and if additional needs arise, other meetings at other times. District 97 has two board meetings per month and dispenses with morning meetings. Dr. Millard and Dr. Weninger will explore this possibility further and possibly discuss this at the next PEG meeting.

**Miscellaneous**
It was noted that Policy 3030, Athletic Field(s) and Stadium Lights, will remain on the docket for First Reading so that as the year continues and the facilities are utilized, the administration can rethink and revise the policy. Policy 3030 will not come forward for Second Reading this year. Stakeholders may continue to register their concerns.

**Adjournment**
At 9:59 a.m., on Thursday, October 15, 2009, the Policy, Evaluation, and Goals Committee adjourned.