

**Oak Park and River Forest High School
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**POLICY, EVALUATION, AND GOALS (PEG) COMMITTEE MEETING
August 19, 2009**

A Policy Committee meeting was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2009, in the Board Room of the Oak Park and River Forest High School. Dr. Millard called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. Committee members present were Dr. Ralph H. Lee, Dr. Dietra D. Millard, and Terry Finnegan (departed at 10:02 a.m.). Board members present Amy Leafe McCormack and Sharon Patchak-Layman. Also, present were Dr. Attila J. Weninger, Superintendent; Jason Edgecombe, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Nathaniel R. Rouse, Principal; Cheryl L. Witham, Chief Financial Officer; 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 June Policy Committee Minutes

It was the consensus of the Policy Committee members to accept the minutes of the June 2009 Committee meeting by acclamation.

Discussion of Board of Education Goals for 2009-2010

Amendments from the discussion at the July Special Board meeting had been incorporated into the goals presented. PEG Committee members reviewed them.

Goal #1

Accepted as presented.

Goal #2

Accepted as presented.

Ms. McCormack continued to feel that oral communication was important and that it should be included in the goals with the focus of moving forward. There was agreement that this come to the September Instruction Committee under an agenda item of "Evaluation of Public Speaking for Students."

Mr. Rouse, in response to Dr. Lee, stated that tutoring would be provided to students in the In-school Suspension Room. Students with Out-of-school Suspensions will receive not only homebound tutoring but additional items of support in order to instill confidence in them to learn. Dr. Lee asked how that would be evaluated. The response was that the administration will ask the faculty for their input on how well students transition back from ISS or OSS to the classroom. Dr. Weninger asked for the opportunity to develop that measurement.

Goal #3

Accepted, as amended.

Dr. Weninger affirmed the dates listed in the goals and it was noted that the Personnel Committee shall be referred to as the Human Resources Committee. PMA would also be written out.

Goal #4

Accepted, as presented.

Goal #5

Accepted, as presented.

Regarding student and staff learning environments, Mr. Rouse stated that the District planned to have assemblies such as they do in grade schools that focus on conducting oneself positively in the building. Hopefully, students will then have the motivation to allow them to conduct themselves differently and fewer infractions will occur. Class 2 infractions are those that immediately impact the learning environment.

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve the goals for the District at its regular August Board of Education meeting.

Consideration of the following Policies for Second Reading and Action

Policy 20, Board of Education (Revision)

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 20, Board of Education, at its regular August Board of Education meeting.

Policy 3310, Contracts/Purchasing

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 3310, Contracts/Purchasing, at its regular August Board of Education meeting.

Policy 3550, Reimbursement of Board of Education Member Expenses (New)

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it approve Policy 3550, Reimbursement of Board of Education Member Expenses, at its regular August Board of Education meeting, as presented.

If acting on behalf on the Board of Education, the member may submit expenses if that was the member's desire.

Policy 3555, Attendance at Conferences and Workshops (Revision)

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend to the Board of Education that it amend Policy 3555, Attendance at Conferences and Workshops, at its regular June Board of Education meeting, as presented.

Consideration of the following Policies for First Reading and Action

Policy 1320, School Visitors

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 1320, School Visitors, at its regular August Board of Education meeting for First Reading.

The purpose of the revision of this policy was to give more support to refuse re-entry into the building. Mr. Rouse stated that the police suggested the school have a trespass policy and procedures for people who are counterproductive to the safety and learning of the building. Mr. Rouse thanked Ms. Bishop for her work in revising this policy.

Ms. McCormack noted that District 90 had a similar procedure. When Dr. Lee asked if the school could legally prohibit parents from entering the building, Mr. Rouse stated that identified parents would be notified that they would need to obtain permission before being allowed to enter the building.

Policy 6160, Academic Honesty

It was the consensus of the PEG Committee members to recommend that the Board of Education approve Policy 6160, Academic Honesty, for first reading, at its regular August Board of Education meeting.

The purpose for revising this policy was to identify, in one place, infractions of academic honesty. Previously, there were inconsistencies as students could be consequenceed both academically and within the discipline system. The proposed process allows the counselor to be aware of all incidents and to initiate interventions, if necessary.

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 approve Policy 6130, Objections to Instructional Materials, at its regular August Board of Education meeting for First Reading, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature. Should parents object to instructional materials, the school would offer an alternative educational experience.

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 approve Policy 6131, Objections to Instructional Materials, at its regular August Board of Education meeting for First Reading, 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 approve Policy 6133, Consultant with Parents and Teachers, at its regular August Board of Education meeting for First Reading, as presented.

The changes proposed were editorial in nature.

Adjournment

At 10:35 a.m., on Wednesday, August 19, 2009, the Policy, Evaluation, and Goals Committee adjourned.