

OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL
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Policy Evaluation and Goals (PEG) Committee
October 13, 2015

A Policy Evaluation and Goals Committee meeting was held on October 13, 2015. Chair Spivy called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m. in the Board Room. Committee members present were Jennifer Cassell, Dr. Steven Gevinson, and Sara Spivy. Also present were Dr. Steven T. Isoye, Superintendent; David Ruhland, Director of Human Resources; Philip M. Prale, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Support Services; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board.

Visitors:

None

Public Comments

None

Minutes

The PEG Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the September 15, 2015 PEG meeting as presented.

Policies for First Reading

The PEG Committee unanimously moved to approve the following policies for first reading forward to the Board of Education for approval at its regular October Board of Education meeting in the consent agenda, as presented, with the exception of Policy 7:235 as it will be brought forward as a discussion item and Policy 8:10 will be discussed at a future meeting.

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| 2:160, Board Attorney | The IASB recommends that the policy, legal references, and footnotes be updated to provide clarity. |
| 5:170, Copyright | The IASB recommends that the policy is updated with an optional subheading. OPRFHS does not provide online services and thus the IASB recommended change is not relevant. |
| 7:10, Equal Educational Opportunities | <p>The Board attorney recommends these changes to this policy to meet the ruling of the Office of Civil Rights (OCR). This policy will be submitted to OCR for acceptance and approval of these changes. Should additional changes be necessary, they will be incorporated and brought forward to the Board of Education for approval at its November meeting. Changes to be made include: aligning the protected classes. Change “available” to “open”</p> <p>The attorney will be asked about any limitations with regard to same sex assemblies.</p> |

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| | Line 1: After word "events" add "sponsored by the district" |
| 7:40, Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students | The IASB recommends this policy amendment having to do with the district accepting part-time attendance of students for whom it has been determined that special education services are needed. |
| 7:310, Restrictions on Publications | The IASB recommends that the policy amendments are updated and includes in the definition of publications anything online or information or materials on electronic devices, as well as a section titled Bullying and Cyberbullying. |
| 7:325, Student Fund-Raising Activities | The IASB recommends that the policy amendments include a renaming of the policy, additional guidelines for student fundraising and the management of fundraising directives. Discussion ensued about student safety, best practices, frequency, setting parameters, etc. The Committee recommended that this be a discussion item at the full BOE meeting in October. |
| 8:10, Connection with the Community | The IASB recommends 1) emphasizing that the Board of Education president is the official spokesperson for the School Board; 2) additional language with regard to the District's public relations program; and 3) a specific section on community engagement. This policy was removed as it will be brought forward at another time. |
| 8:80, Gifts to the District | The IASB recommends a substantially revised policy regarding gifts, delineating the requirements for which the gifts must adhere. |

Audio Recording of Board Meetings - Update

Mr. Carioscio reported that he had manipulated the audio tapes of two meetings so that the audio recordings of each agenda item was marked, allowing for that portion to be linked to the agenda. He explained the processes he had used to date to accomplish this project. First, he used YouTube editor and audio editor. Approximately 20 hours were used to accomplish this. He was exploring other venues as to how to do this and he anticipated that it might ultimately take 5 hours to accomplish this. He asked for time to develop the audio link based on topic, but it may not be a link on the agenda.

The Committee chair felt that if this task could be accomplished within a 2-hour timeframe it might be worth it, but not more than that amount of time. A policy on audio recordings may have to be developed as well. This will come forward in a couple of months.

Student Discipline

Raising Student Voice event was on Saturday, October 10, 2015 and approximately 30 students participate. While student leaders were disappointed with the number of students who participated, they continued their own discussion, as they had not had that opportunity previously. The information is being collated and a report will be received from Chicago VOYCE. Students will debrief on the event and how to go forward in the future. This was a great opportunity for these students made possible by Jonathan Silver, Esteban Medina, Brian Beyers, Kris Johnson, and Latonia Jackson.

PTAC

The administration is talking with someone about facilitating a discussion on the philosophy of discipline. Other options will be explored for experts on Restorative Justice.

Dr. Isoye and Mr. Rouse are working on who will be part of PTAC and student engagement will be important. They hope to send out invites by the end of the month and meet next month.

Superintendent Evaluation Process

Ms. Spivy had received feedback from one BOE member and will send a reminder to send their input.

Adjournment

At 6:38 p.m., the Policy Evaluation and Goals Committee adjourned.

Submitted by
Gail Kalmerton
Clerk of the Board