

AGENDA



**Addison Central School District
Policy Committee
Committee Meeting
Monday, April 24, 2023, 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm
208 Charles Avenue, Middlebury VT & Virtual Connection**

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- A. Call to Order Upon Reaching a Quorum
 - 1. Introductions - Board Members, Administrators and Staff
 - 2. Action: Elect Committee Chair
 - 3. Establishing a Regular Meeting Time

- B. Public Comment: Agenda items
- C. Recommendation to Approve Minutes of March 1, 2023
- D. Committee Discussion:
 - 1. Items that are ready for the board
 - 2. Items that are on hold - Pending decisions in Montpelier
 - 3. Homework for next meeting
- E. Public Input: Items that are not on the agenda
- F. Other
- G. Adjournment

***Public Comment Guidelines:**

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MINUTES



**Addison Central School District
Policy Committee
Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 1, 2023, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
49 Charles Avenue, Middlebury VT & Virtual Connection**

ACSD District Vision and Mission

OUR VISION

All students will reach their full academic potential and be prepared for success as engaged citizens.

OUR MISSION

To provide an innovative, rigorous, and supportive educational community that inspires a passion for learning and cultivates empathy and responsibility.

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A. Introductions - Board Members, Administrators and Staff

Meeting called to order at 4:36 PM Attended by: Mary Gill, Suzanne Buck and Jamie McCallum

B. Call to Order Upon Reaching a Quorum

Meeting called to order at 4:36 PM

C. Public Comment

Mary Slosar asked: How can the board be more inclusive for folks with disabilities? CPAC group will offer some suggestions in the future.

D. Recommendation to Approve Minutes of January 18, 2023

E. A21: Public Participation at Board Meetings

Public Participant Procedure

A21 was adopted by full Board on

Peter Conlon drafted the following procedure for Public Comments during a regular scheduled board meeting. The policy committee will share with the full board for comments and approval and then pass onto the Communication and Engagement Committee to be added to the ACSD Board Communication and Engagement Procedure. Mary Heather Noble (chair of Communication and Engagement) has developed guidelines for responding to public correspondence and this draft will be shared with that committee (see attached 2023-3-1:Procedure Draft for Public Comment at School Board meetings)
2023-3-1 Procedure Draft for Public Comment at School Board meetings)ment

F. C5: Firearms Policy

We reviewed the draft Caitlin Steele shared, but would like to add additional language to include:

reference to state gun laws regarding “no firearms” on school campuses, in addition to informing students of the consequences of any violation of policy, and clear communication to all staff, community members, contractors of the law. Should be included in contracts made with staff, vendors, etc. To include signage at building entrances, outdoor fields, and any school related event off campus. Statements similar to our policy on smoking, drugs and alcohol on school grounds or any school sponsored events. Including off campus events in which school employees are present.

Stating enforcement guidelines for any violation. (school administrators and or law enforcement).
Statement of need for a school safety plan and training.

Refer to State Law <https://statepolicies.nasbe.org/health/categories/physical-environment/firearms-or-weapons-on-school-campuses/vermont>

G. A3/A24: Board/ Superintendent Relations

Relationship to Roles and School Board to Superintendent (ACSD 9/2017) Needs major review. Committee feels after several years as a consolidated district, that we should identify a more clear standard for superintendent evaluation and feedback. The board is currently in the process of searching for and hiring a new superintendent and expanding our policy to include evaluation. We looked at the new VSBA recommended policy A24 (adopted 3/2020) “The board is responsible for clearly setting forth and communicating its expectations before evaluation takes place. The board will evaluate the superintendent’s job performance in a way that is systematic, fair, and effective.” see attached document
Need for further board discussions.

H. Other Business

Suggestion to review the
Flag Policy and more discussion of accepting out of district students.
Tuition doesn’t necessarily cover all the expenses when students present significant behavioral problems.

I. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Gill

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