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**Addison Central School District
Policy Committee
Committee Meeting
Monday, August 28, 2023, 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm
208 Charles Avenue, Middlebury VT**

ACSD District Vision and Mission

OUR VISION

Our vision is for all ACSD students to reach their full learning potential, have a sense of belonging in our schools, and enrich our community and the communities where they live in the future.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to provide high-quality, equitable, and varied learning environments that inspire a passion for learning and growth among our students.

A. Call to Order Upon Reaching a Quorum 1 min

Meeting called to order at 5:15PM

1. Introductions - Board Members, Administrators and Staff 1 min

Present: Suzanne Buck, Jamie McCallum, Joanna Doria, Tim Williams

B. Public Comment on Agenda Items 10 min

None

C. Recommendation to Approve Minutes of June 12, 2023 2 min

Joanna asks for clarification re: Jamie's concern about the previous meeting's minutes. He clarifies that his understanding is that the board is going to eventually look into the AOE's family engagement toolkit. With that clarification, the minutes pass with one abstention.

Move: Jamie McCallum Second: Joanna Doria Status: Passed

D. Discussion on recently changed, updated or removed VSBA policies 40 min

Suzanne starts the discussion about the list of updated policies from VSBA. Aside from F1 and F20, the others are formatting changes. F20 is combining two policies. Dr. Williams suggests working on the changes and marking the changes (in red) to

be clear. He will work on all 11 (and maybe more if there are new updates between now and next month) and we will discuss next meeting. Joanna asks about the whole process. She wants to ensure we follow through with a good design that records and organizes our work. Suzanne clarifies that the full board needs to pass the policy and then we can communicate to Central Office about posting on the website. Procedures are another process. Some should be public.

Jamie brings up the firearms policy. There has been no legislative action on it. He would like us to work on this, as we know the state can move slowly. We are going to track down a memo from Pietro that might direct us in the discussion.

1. A1: Governance Commitment
2. B2: Volunteers and Work Study Students
3. B4: Drug & Alcohol Testing: Transportation Employees
4. B7: Tobacco Prohibition
5. C3: Transportation
6. D4: Title 1 Comparability
7. D5: Animal Dissection
8. D6: Class Size
9. F1: Travel Reimbursement
10. F20: Finance Policy
11. F23: Capitalization of Assets

E. Public Comment - Any Topic 5 min

Brian Bauer offers public comment. He thinks we would do a disservice to our school community by not allowing anyone to have a gun in our schools. He suggests that firearms be declared maybe with detectors.

F. Adjournment 1 min

Meeting Adjourned 6:09 PM

Move: Jamie McCallum Second: Joanna Doria Status: Passed

Total Meeting Time: 1h 0m

*Public Comment Guidelines:

Public comments are encouraged and welcome at each regular board meeting during the period designated for public comment. Comments are limited to three minutes per person. Citizens will be called to make their statement by the board chair. Public comments regarding personnel, students or legal matters will not be heard by the Board.

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