

Committee: Policy

Date: October 29, 2019

Present at Meeting:

Melissa Szymanski, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Tesfa Stewart, Assistant Director of Special Education (for first discussion topic only)
Alison Andrus, Board Trustee
Lauren Berman, Board Trustee
Silvia Robles, Board Trustee

Key Topics and Discussion Points

POLICY 4321.4 Independent Educational Evaluations and analysis presented by Tesfa Stewart

NYSSBA recommended policy updates distributed 10/2019: NYSSBA recommended update to **POLICY 1741 Home Schooled Students**; NYSSBA recommended update to/creation of **POLICY 8131.1 Extreme Risk Protection Orders**

Discussion of the status of on-going policy review and revision (see below).

New Business

POLICY 5100 Attendance: Melissa Szymanski recommended that we review our policy of attendance in anticipation of attendance data being a factor in ESSA reporting in 2020-21.

Alison Andrus reported on the advice of policy committee work that was suggested by a mentor trustee at Westchester Putnam School Board Association.

On-Going Proposed Next Steps

POLICY 4321.4 Independent Educational Evaluations – a draft of revised policy and regulation, will be led by Alison Andrus.

POLICY 1741 Home Schooled Students – policy will be reviewed for any recommended revision, led by Melissa Szymanski.

POLICY 8131.1 Extreme Risk Protection Orders –policy will be reviewed in committee for possible inclusion in district policy; the addition is not required, only recommended.

POLICY 8414.5 and REGULATION 8415.5-R Drug and Alcohol Testing of Drivers –draft revision as required by NYSSBA has been sent by Alison Andrus to Maureen Caraballo for her consideration of input. Melissa Szymanski will be following up.

POLICY 5152 Admission of Non-Resident Students and POLICY 9602 Child Abuse in an Educational Setting – procedures of policy changes as they pertain to training for mandated reporters will be reviewed by Melissa Szymanski with Maureen Caraballo. Policy will be reviewed for any necessary revision led by Lauren Berman.

POLICY 5605 Voter Registration for Students –Under review for revision led by Silvia Robles. Silvia shared the information gathered from district personnel and regional NYS voting entities. A policy will be drafted to include this information, as required by NYSSBA.

POLICY 3240 District Organization Chart– under continued review and drafting, led by Dr. Henning-Piedmonte.

POLICY 5420 Student Health Services and **POLICY 5420.2 Requests for Religious Exemptions** – revision led by Lauren Berman with NYSSBA requirements. Lauren presented the revisions to the district’s legal counsel for review and will follow up on the status of legal review.

Questions for the Board to Discuss/Consider at Upcoming BOE Meeting: 10/4/2019

No current questions for the Board to consider.