



Winona Area Public Schools
Board Operations Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes: August 28, 2023

Meeting Location:	District Office Conference Rooms 903 Gilmore Ave, Winona, MN 55987
Meeting Start:	4:46 pm
Meeting End:	6:37 pm
Members Present:	Michael Hanratty Stephanie Smith Brad Berzinski Kacie Lovas
Other Attendees:	Sarah Slaby, Kristie O'Brien
Members Absent:	Emily Solheid

I. Review Upcoming Policies

- A. **523 Policies Incorporated by Reference:** Mr. Berzinski presented this policy with recommended MSBA updates. Mr. Hanratty suggested including Policy 413 Harassment and Violence to the list of policies incorporated by reference. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be tabled until the next Board Operations Committee Meeting on September 28, 2023.
- B. **705 Investments:** Ms. Slaby presented this policy with proposed statute language, legal reference, and WAPS suggested language updates. Mr. Hanratty recommended clarifying current practice on investment authority. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the September 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board, with the suggested change.
- C. **720 Vending Machines:** Ms. Slaby presented this policy with MSBA recommended language changes, and language recommendations to reflect current practices. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the September 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- D. **903 Visitors to School District Buildings and Sites:** Mr. Berzinski presented this policy on behalf of Ms. Solheid, with minor statute language updates. The committee discussed clarifying the mention of an addendum, as there is not currently an addendum to the policy. Mr. Hanratty suggested including language from Policy 498 School Volunteers, Section E., replacing the word "volunteer" with "visitors". Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be tabled until the next Board Operations Committee Meeting on September 28, 2023, to review with the proposed changes.

II. Follow-up from the June 22, 2023 Board Operations Committee Meeting:

- A. **110 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy:** The DEI Committee is continuing to review this policy.

- B. Policy 506 Student Discipline:** Mr. Berzinski presented this policy with updates to statute language, and language on district practices. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the September 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- C. 601 School District Curriculum and Instructional Goals:** Ms. O'Brien presented this policy with proposed statute language updates. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the October 17, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- D. 613 Graduation Requirements:** Mr. Berzinski presented this policy with minor statute language updates. Mr. Hanratty requested ethnic studies implementation dates be included in the policy. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the September 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board, with the proposed change.
- E. 621 Literacy and the READ Act:** Ms. O'Brien presented this new policy to the Board Operations Committee. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the October 17, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- F. Booster Club Discussion Update:** Mr. Berzinski shared an overview of recent discussion regarding booster clubs.