

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, October 9, 2023

6:30 p.m.

District Office Conference Room

Zoom Link: <https://spring-ford.zoom.us/j/93876936710>

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford Area School District cultivates academic excellence, embraces inclusivity, fosters wellness, and purposefully integrates technology and innovation.

Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. and ended at 7:03 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Board Members – Wendy Earle (Chair – Zoom), Jennifer Motzer, Karen Weingarten (Zoom), Maggie Wright
- District Representatives – Catie Gardy, Kelly Murray, Bob Rizzo (Zoom)
- Community Members – Will Cromley, Steve Frey (Zoom), Kathryn Jones (Zoom), Stacey Sollazzo (Zoom)

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – From September 11, 2023

- September 11, 2023 minutes were accepted.

IV. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

a. Old Business

- Remaining Policy List for Review
- Policy 226 – Searches (brought back after solicitor review)

- Policy 226 was reviewed after solicitor comments added. Policy will be brought forward for a first reading in October.

- Policy 243 – Academic Integrity (formerly named Plagiarism)

- Policy 243 was reviewed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and, barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in November.

- Policy 251 – Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care, and Other Educational Instability

- Policy 251 was reviewed with minor revisions suggested. Policy was sent to the solicitor for review prior to the October Committee meeting. Policy will be brought forward for a first reading in October.

b. New Business

- Policy 142 – Migrant Students

- Policy 142 was reviewed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and, barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in November.

ii. Policy 143 - Standards for Persistently Dangerous Schools

- Policy 143 was reviewed. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and will be updated with a "review only" date.

iii. Policy 144 – Standards for Victims of Violent Crimes

- Policy 144 was reviewed. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and will be updated with a "review only" date.

iv. Policy 202 – Eligibility of Nonresident Students

- Policy 202 was reviewed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be brought forward for a first reading in November.

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v. Policy 833 – Security of Computerized Personal Information/Breach Notification

- Policy 833 was briefly discussed but not reviewed. It will be brought to the November committee meeting for further consideration.

V. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING

- Policy 021 (Political Activities) and Policy 707 (Use of School Facilities) were brought up and will be added to the January Policy Committee agenda.

VI. PREPARATION/PROPOSALS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

- Policies 226 and 251 were reviewed and will be brought forward for a first reading in October.

- Policy 202 was reviewed and will be brought forward for a first reading in November.

- Policies 243 and 142 were reviewed and will be sent to the solicitor for review. Barring any substantive changes, they will be brought forward for a first reading in November.

- Policies 143 and 144 were reviewed only. They will be sent to the solicitor and updated as "review only" on BoardDocs.

- Policy 833 was not discussed. It will be brought to the November Policy Committee Meeting for further consideration.

VII. BOARD COMMENT

VIII. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON TOPICS RELATED TO POLICY COMMITTEE BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – November 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the D.O. Conference Room