

School Board Policy Committee Meeting

ADC – Board Room or Zoom Webinar

October 27, 2021

6:00-7:30 pm

AGENDA

Public Zoom Webinar Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87699573950>

Toll Free Phone: (888) 788 0099 or (877) 853 5247

Webinar ID: 876 9957 3950

- A. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement Statement:** As a committee of the school board, we would like to take this moment to respectfully acknowledge we are residing on the traditional land of the Dena (pronounced duhNAY) people.
- B. Our Mission** is to provide an excellent, equitable education in a safe, supportive environment so all students will succeed and contribute to a diverse and changing society.
- C. Roll Call**

Committee Members:

Matthew Sampson, Chair, Board Member

Ivory McDaniel, Executive Director of HR

Jane Bedford, FPA Representative

Robyn Taylor, FPA Representative

Gretchen Nelson, FEA Representative

Patrick Frymark, FEA Representative

Carlos Perez, Non-Represented Representative

Carla Browning, Parent Representative

Aren Gunderson, Parent Representative

Justine Slater, Parent Representative

Tracy Garrison, Community Representative

Shannon Boyle, Community Representative

Suzanne Richards, Community Representative

Shaun Kraska, Community Representative

Staff: Teresa Paulsen, HR Assistant & Committee Administrative Support

D. Approval of Agenda & February 24, 2021 Meeting Notes

E. Discussion Items

1. Policy Discussion

a. Policy 542: Job Descriptions

b. Policy 991: Controversial Issues

F. Determine Next Meeting Date

G. Adjournment

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By Video Conference

February 24, 2021

Meeting Notes

Call to Order: Ivory McDaniel called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM and read the land acknowledgement and mission statement.

Roll Call

Committee Members Present

Matthew Sampson
Ivory McDaniel
Jane Bedford
Henry Burns
Kelly Scanlon
Daryl Walker
Grace Greene
Ashley Mayer
Justine Slater
Janet Farris

Administrative Support Present

Teresa Paulsen

Committee Members Absent:

Wendy Demers
Carlos Perez
Kirsten Bell
Shannon Fortune
Sean Heffernan
Allyson Lambert-Excused

Approval of Agenda & January 25, 2021 Meeting Notes

Jane Bedford made a motion to approve the agenda and meeting notes. Henry Burns seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items

Policies Discussed

New Proposed Policy - 10X: Therapy Animals

- Overview and questions/discussion.
- Will be developing AR to go with this policy.
- **Clarify Animal vs Dog as per ADA policy.**
- **Suggest to change wording to read that “staff” can apply.**
- **Approved moving new policy forward with recommendations.**

New Proposed Policy - 1XX: Service Animals

- Overview and questions/discussion.
- **Approved moving new policy forward.**

Policy 130.1: Nondiscrimination – Affirmative Action

- Overview and questions/discussion.
- **Approved moving policy changes forward.**

Next Meeting Date

No further meetings needed this school year.

Closing Comments

Mr. Sampson and Ms. McDaniel-Ilgenfritz express appreciation to committee members for their time and participation.

Adjournment

Kelly Scanlon made a motion to adjourn. Henry Burns seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.



Book	School Board Policy
Section	CHAPTER 05 - (2) Policy Manual
Title	Policy Review: Policy 542 Job Descriptions
Code	542
Status	Up for Revision
Adopted	August 15, 2006

Job descriptions for school district positions, with the exception of the superintendent's job description, will be maintained and periodically updated by the administration when required. Job descriptions will be **provided to all new hires and made** available ~~on the district web site~~ **through the human resources department.**

Policy Adopted: August 15, 2006



Book	School Board Policy
Section	CHAPTER 09 - (2) Policy Manual
Title	Policy Review: Policy 991 Controversial Issues
Code	991
Status	Up for Revision
Adopted	July 6, 1982

A controversial issue exists, for the purpose of this policy, when any material or topic evokes opposing **DIVERSE PUBLIC** viewpoints on the part of any group or any individual **BOTH SIDES MULTIPLE FACETS OF THE AN ISSUE.**

THE DISTRICT SUPPORTS THAT STUDENTS SHOULD HAVE DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES TO DISCUSS AND STUDY CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES WHICH HAVE ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, OR SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE IN THE ADOPTED CURRICULUM. AND WHICH THE STUDENTS ARE MATURE ENOUGH TO INVESTIGATE AND STUDY. THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY OF CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES SHOULD: IS TO HELP STUDENTS LEARN HOW TO GATHER, ORGANIZE AND EVALUATE FACTS, DISCRIMINATE DISCERN BETWEEN FACTS AND OPINION, DRAW INTELLIGENT CONCLUSIONS AND LEARN TO ENGAGE IN RESPECTFUL CIVIL DISCOURSE WITH OTHERS.

The Fairbanks North Star Borough School District will provide a process **GUIDANCE** for the objective study of controversial issues in order that students may have an opportunity to examine such issues in an instructional atmosphere free of partisanship and censorship. **FACTUAL AND OBJECTIVE TEACHING OF CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES MUST BE DISTINGUISHED FROM INDOCTRINATION WHICH IS FORBIDDEN IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THE SCHOOLS MAY WILL TEACH ABOUT THE MANY HISTORICAL, CULTURAL, SOCIOLOGICAL, OR OTHER EDUCATIONAL PERSPECTIVES, BUT MUST WILL NOT FAVOR THE BELIEFS OR CUSTOMS OF ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, SECT, POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC, OR SOCIAL VIEWPOINT. TEACHERS MAY NOT EXPRESS PERSONAL VIEWS TO STUDENTS, EVEN WHEN IDENTIFIED AS SUCH. GUEST SPEAKERS MUST NOT USE THEIR POSITION OR INFLUENCE ON STUDENTS TO ADVANCE A PERSONAL VIEW OR BELIEFS.**

THE SUPERINTENDENT / ADMINISTRATION SHALL SUPPORT TEACHERS IN DEVELOPING AN AWARENESS OF CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES IN THE CONTEXT OF CURRICULUM, AND IN DEVELOPING STRATEGIES FOR MANAGING DISCUSSION OF CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS WHILE PROMOTING CIVIL DISCOURSE IN OUR CLASSROOMS. WITHOUT STIFLING THE SPIRIT OF FREE INQUIRY.

Policy Adopted: July 6, 1982