



Winona Area Public Schools
Board Operations Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes: November 21, 2023

Meeting Location:	District Office Conference Rooms 903 Gilmore Ave, Winona, MN 55987
Meeting Start:	4:46 pm
Meeting End:	6:07 pm
Members Present:	Michael Hanratty Stephanie Smith Emily Solheid Brad Berzinski Kacie Lovas
Other Attendees:	Sarah Slaby, Kristie O'Brien, Kevin Flies, Casey Indra
Members Absent:	

I. Review Upcoming Policies

- A. 513.1 Early Kindergarten Admission:** Ms. O'Brien presented this policy with statute and criteria-based language updates. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- B. 704 Development & Maintenance of an Inventory of Fixed Assets & a Fixed Asset Accounting System:** Ms. Slaby presented this policy with reference section updates. The Board Finance Committee also reviewed this policy. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- C. 710 Extracurricular Transportation:** Mr. Indra presented this policy with reference section updates. The committee discussed district liability as it pertains to students transporting themselves to activities. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- D. 711 Video Recording on School Buses:** Mr. Indra presented this policy with minor statute language updates. The committee discussed the ownership of the cameras, the data collected, and any potential manipulation concerns. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- E. 712 Video Surveillance Other Than on Buses:** Mr. Flies presented this policy with minor statute language updates. The committee discussed the language outlined in section II.A.3 and requested that the administration receive feedback from MSBA regarding the potential removal of language pertaining to cameras in bathrooms. The committee also discussed the retention of video surveillance and the legal implications of recording on personal cell phones. The committee agreed to consider their discussion regarding cell phones in a future agenda. Mr.

Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.

II. Follow-up from the November 2023 Board Operations Committee Meeting:

- A. 413 Harassment and Violence:** Ms. Solheid presented this policy to the committee with updates as a result of recent legislation. The committee discussed the district's procedures associated with gender identification and accessibility to locker rooms and bathrooms. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- B. 416 Drug and Alcohol Testing:** Ms. Solheid presented this policy to the committee with updates as a result of recent legislation, and district proposed changes. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.
- C. 620 Credit for Learning:** Ms. Solheid presented this policy with additional statute language clarity. The committee discussed concerns regarding 8th grade students receiving credit for high school level courses. The committee further discussed the crossover of this discussion into policy 613. Mr. Berzinski was asked to look further into this. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.

III. Follow Up from October 26, 2023 Board Operations Committee

- A. 802 Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material:** Ms. Solheid provided an update that the committee members' questions were addressed in the Policy Outline. Mr. Hanratty and Ms. Smith recommended that the policy be added to the December 21, 2023 School Board agenda for first reading by the School Board.

IV. Other Business:

- A. December Board Operations Committee Meeting:** Ms. Solheid suggested rescheduling the December committee meeting to accommodate for holiday schedules. The December 28, 2023 meeting is rescheduled to January 2, 2024, at 4:15 p.m.