

POLICY MEETING NOVEMBER 6, 2023

1. Call to Order

Minutes

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was audio recorded.

2. Roll Call

Minutes

Members Present: Robert Bennett, Donna Cronin, Lindsay Drew, and Lindsay Koch (Board Members)

Citizen Advisors in Attendance: Donna Griffith, Colby Hollinger, and Beth Olmstead

Citizen Advisors Absent: Geurline Laurore

Staff Members/Public Present: Michele Agee (Board Secretary), Phil Ayala (IT), Mike Montedoro (AD) Sheryl Pursel (Business Manager), Jason Reifsnyder, and Stacy Winslow (Administration)

3. Approval of Summary Minutes

Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Cronin and a second by Dr. Koch, the minutes were approved.

4. Unfinished Business

4.a. Policy 123 Interscholastic Athletics

Minutes

Following a motion by Dr. Cronin, and a second by Mr. Bennett, with a vote of 1 to 3 opposed, the motion did not pass.

4.b. Policy 304 Employment of District Staff

Minutes

This item was tabled at the previous meeting and did not have any proposed motion during this meeting.

5. Revised Policies

5.a. 005-BOG-3. BOARD RELATIONS

Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. Cronin and a second by Dr. Koch, 005-BOG-3. See item 5.a.a.

5.a.a. Amended motion

Minutes

Ms. Drew made a motion, followed by a second from Dr. Koch, to amend the revised 005-BOG-3, to exchange the word "operations" for "matters" in the third sentence and end the sentence there. The motion was approved. See 5.a.b. for an additional motion to bypass the 30 day review.

5.a.b. Amended Motion 30 Day Review Bypass

Minutes

Ms. Drew made a motion, followed by a second from Dr. Koch, to move the amended and revised 005-BOG-3, to the board for approval on November 20, 2023, and bypass the standard procedure of the 30 day review. The motion to bypass the review procedure was approved.

5.b. Policy 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response

September was National Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month and we encourage all school entities to regularly review policies and procedures related to suicide awareness, prevention and response. PSBA recently reviewed and revised Policy 819 to address the correlation between threat assessment teams and crisis response/intervention teams when addressing suicide prevention and response. The policy was also updated to reflect current terminology and resources.

Revisions to the policy include:

- The Definitions section was significantly expanded to promote consistency in understanding of terminology used throughout the policy.
- A Delegation of Responsibility section was added to the policy to address responsibility for the development of administrative regulations.
- Incorporation of school safety and security training and the Safe2Say Something program by reference of Policy 805 Emergency Preparedness and Response.
- Updates to the sections of the policy related to Methods of Prevention, Methods of Assessment and Intervention, and Methods of Response to Suicide Attempt or Suicide to provide clarifications and collaboration between the threat assessment team and the crisis response/intervention team.
- Expanded and updated links to Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Crisis Resources.

Due to the substantial updates to Policy 819, PSBA recommends using the PSBA policy guide included in this PNN+ as the base document from which to work while revising the policy.

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On a motion by Dr. Koch, with a second by Ms. Drew, Policy 819 was recommended, as revised, to the full Board for 30 day review approval. Dr. Cronin proposed switching policies 819 and 819.1 to allow policy 819 to match PSBA. Following a motion by Dr. Koch, and a second by Ms. Drew, switching 819 and 819.1 was approved.

6. Reviewed Policies

Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Cronin, with a second by Dr. Koch, Policy 137.2 was recommended to the full Board for 30-day review approval.

6.a. Policy 918 Title I Parental and Family Engagement

Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Cronin and a second by Dr. Koch, Policy 918 was approved as reviewed.

6.b. Consent Agenda

Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Cronin and a second by Dr. Koch, Policies 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 912.1, 913, 913.1, 914, 915, 916.1, 917, and 920 were approved to move into a consent agenda item. Following a motion by Ms. Drew with a second by Dr. Koch the Consent Agenda was approved.

- 6.b.a. Policy 901 Public Relations Objectives**
- 6.b.b. Policy 902 Publications Program**
- 6.b.c. Policy 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings**
- 6.b.d. Policy 904 Public Attendance at School Events**
- 6.b.e. Policy 905 Citizen Advisory Committees**
- 6.b.f. Policy 906 Public Complaints Procedures**
- 6.b.g. Policy 907 School Visitors**
- 6.b.h. Policy 908 Relations With Parents/Guardians**
- 6.b.i. Policy 909 Municipal Government Relations**
- 6.b.j. Policy 910 Community Engagement**
- 6.b.k. Policy 911 News Media Relations**
- 6.b.l. Policy 912 Relations With Educational Institutions**
- 6.b.m. Policy 912.1 Harrisburg Area Community College**

6.b.n. Policy 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

6.b.o. Policy 913.1 Commercial Partnerships and Sponsorships

6.b.p. Policy 914 Relations With Intermediate Unit

6.b.q. Policy 915 Booster Clubs

6.b.r. Policy 916.1 Megan’s Law

6.b.s. Policy 917 Parent/Family Involvement

6.b.t. Policy 920 Athletic Hall of Fame

7. Public Comment

Minutes

There was no public comment for the committee.

8. Adjournment

Minutes

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m. The next Policy Committee Meeting will be held in February 12, 2024.