

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
POLICY AND CURRICULUM SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

November 1, 2021

A meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee was held on Monday, November 1, 2021. Subcommittee Chairperson Carly Reich called the meeting to order at approximately 6:03 p.m.

Present:

Subcommittee: Carly Reich, Chairperson and Victor Cabral.

School Committee Members and Administrators: Marj McBride, Erin Schofield, and Diane Sanna, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent
Diana Campbell, Recording Secretary

I. Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Mr. Cabral made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 4, 2021; seconded by Chairperson Reich.

The motion passed unanimously.

II. Discussion and/or Possible Action

A. Policy JEC - Family Engagement - DRAFT

Assistant Superintendent Sanna pointed out that while the policy number is incorrect on the Agenda, the topic, Family Engagement, is accurate. She went on to propose a new Policy based on new Title I regulations. The purpose of the Policy is to provide guidance and support to families that goes above and beyond the regulations. The Policy covers overall guidance for the district, with specific steps for Title I Schools.

Chairperson Reich noted that this proposal is tied to the School Improvement Plan (SIP) Policy.

Ms. McBride asked how Section II 3-5 ties to contract requirements. Assistant Superintendent Sanna responded that the wording could be made more specific to more closely match the wording in the contracts.

Chairperson Reich asked about Section II A and III C3 and if they apply to SIPs for all schools. Assistant Superintendent Sanna explained that those sections are specific for Title I schools and are in place to connect families with teachers and students. Ms. McBride would like to see these sections apply to all schools.

Assistant Superintendent Sanna agreed, but pointed out that Section III C is non-negotiably required for Title I schools.

Assistant Superintendent Sanna would like to share the proposed policy with families to get their feedback before finalizing it. Mr. Cabral suggested that it be shared with principals also.

B. Policy CN - SIT Policy - DRAFT (to replace Policy CN)

Assistant Superintendent Sanna provided some background on School Improvement Team policy which will be included in professional development after being reviewed by Attorney Carroll. The current policy requires that staff look up the regulations. This proposed policy provides the information directly, without the added step to go to the RIDE website for guidance. She stated that the draft of the policy has been reviewed by principals.

Assistant Superintendent stated that each school has provided their SIT plans to the state, but that they did not receive much feedback on them. This Policy provides more guidance on membership of a SIT and selection of members and their duties, role in preparing the budget, and hiring of personnel.

Ms. McBride asked when principals will present their SIT plans to the School Committee. Assistant Superintendent Sanna answered that SIT plans will be ready for the School Committee after the Strategic Plan is complete.

Ms. Schofield asked who leads the SIT teams. Assistant Superintendent Sanna answered that the Principals usually lead the teams. She will change the wording of that section of the draft to add that the Principals will also present the SIT Plans to the School Committee.

MOTION: Chairperson Reich made a motion to approve the Proposed Policy CN - School Improvement Teams and to move it forward to the full School Committee for a 1st Reading; 2nd by Mr. Cabral. Motion was approved unanimously.

C. Policy GBED/JHFAA) - Use of Physical Restraint

D. Policy GBED/JHFAA - Exhibit

Ms. Reich tabled Items C & D to be discussed at a future meeting.

E. Policy GBO - Sexual Harassment Policy and GBOA Harassment Policy

F. Policy AC - Anti-Discrimination/Anti-Harassment Policy and Grievance

Procedure

Items E & F were discussed together. Assistant Superintendent Sanna proposed that the Policy Curriculum Subcommittee recommend to the full School Committee that Policies GBO, GBOA, AC be removed.

MOTION: Mr. Cabral made a motion to recommend to the full School Committee that Policies GBO, GBOA, and AC be removed from the School Committee Policies, because they have been replaced by Policy AC - Anti-Discrimination/ Anti-Harrassment Policy and Report Form; 2nd by Chairperson Reich. The Motion passed unanimously.

III. Adjournment

MOTION: Chairperson Reich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Mr. Cabral. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Carly Reich, Chair
Policy & Curriculum Subcommittee of the
Bristol Warren Regional School Committee

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