

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**DATE:** August 8, 2024  
**TOPIC:** 6.3 – First Reading of Proposed Updates to Policies  
**PRESENTER:** Julie Nielsen, Superintendent  
**REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE:** Policy 208

### A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. The following policies have been revised to reflect updates in Minnesota Statute, definition of terms, legal references, and cross references.
- b. Board Policy Committee members reviewed the policies and made recommendations to administration.
- c. Current policies are located online at <https://www.sowashco.org/about-us/school-board/school-board-policies>.
- d. Following this agenda item, the public will have an opportunity to address the board regarding the policies being revised and the changes outlined.

201 Legal Status of the School Board	Terminology and Legal updates
201.1 School Board Elections	No MSBA Policy, all legal or procedural. Remove policy
201.2 Application and Balloting Procedures	No MSBA Policy, all procedural. Remove policy
202 School Board Officers	Grammer, Terminology & Legal updates
207 Public Hearings	No suggested changes
216 School District Attorney	No MSBA Model Policy, part of Organizational items at January meeting. Remove policy.
301 School District Administration	Removal of Cross Reference
306 Administrator Code of Ethics	Title change to Statute
516 Student Medication	Adds new statutory provisions; rearranges sections for clarity
721.1 Wellness	Legal Updates
808 Service Animals	Renumbered to match MSBA Model Policy



These policies will return for board approval on August 22, 2024.

**B. RECOMMENDATION**

- a. Information

**C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY**

- a. Student Experience
- b. Mastery of Learning and Expectations
- c. Student Pathways and Systemic Supports
- d. Operations, Staffing, and Finance
- e. Engagement and Partnerships

