

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, May 13, 2024

6:00 p.m.

District Office Conference Room

Zoom Link: <https://spring-ford.zoom.us/j/93876936710>

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford Area School District cultivates academic excellence, embraces inclusivity, fosters wellness, and purposefully integrates technology and innovation.

Meeting started at 6:00 p.m. and ended at 7:01 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Board Members – Karen Weingarten (Chair), Abby Deardorff (Zoom), Heidi Goldsmith (Zoom), Erica Hermans (Zoom), Theresa Westwood, Maggie Wright
- District Representatives – Catie Gardy, Kelly Murray, Bob Rizzo
- Community Members – Will Cromley, Steve Frey (Zoom), Kathy Morris, Stacey Sollazzo (Zoom)

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

- III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – From March 11, 2024**
- March 11, 2024 minutes were accepted.

IV. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

a. Old Business

i. Policy 121 – Field Trips/Educational Trips

- Policy 121 was discussed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and, barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in June.

ii. Policy 121.1 – Overnight/Foreign Travel

- Policy 121.1 was discussed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and, barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in June.

iii. Policy 122 – Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities

- Policy 122 was discussed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be brought back to the committee in June for further discussion.

iv. Policy 707 – Use of School Facilities

- Policy 707 was discussed and suggestions were recommended. The Committee will consider changes for another month and the administration will continue their internal review. Policy will be brought back to the committee in June.

v. Policy 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings

- Policy 903 was discussed with minor revisions suggested. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for review and, barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in June.

vi. Remaining Policy List for Review

- Not discussed. Standing item on each agenda to track policy progress.

b. New Business

i. Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying

- Policy 249 was briefly discussed with no action taken. Policy will be brought back to the committee in June for further consideration.

V. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING

VI. PREPARATION/PROPOSALS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

- Policies 121, 121.1, and 903 were reviewed and will be sent to the solicitor for review. Barring any substantive changes, they will be brought forward for a first reading in June.
- Policies 122 and 707 were discussed and will be brought back to the committee in June for further consideration.
- Policy 249 was brought up but not discussed. The committee requested that it be brought back in June for further consideration.

VII. BOARD COMMENT

VIII. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON TOPICS RELATED TO POLICY COMMITTEE BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – June 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the D.O. Conference Room