Policy and Communications Committee Meeting
November 12, 2024

Committee Members Present: Anna James, Policy Committee Chair; Laura Dean-Frazier, Communications Committee Chair; Jason Kemp; Gavin Lodge; Alexander Lowry; Martha Shoemaker

Administration Present: Ian Neviaser, Superintendent of Schools

Others Present: Bridget Compagno, Director of Communications and Marketing

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Communications Update
Mrs. Compagno reported on the open house that recently occurred at LOLHS with two families attending. She noted that she receives two to five inquires per week relative to prospective students.

Mrs. Compagno reported on her work on a brochure for the mentor program at LOLMS. In addition, the group discussed possible stories to submit to the local *Events* magazine. Some previous submissions included 3D printing, the electric vehicle, and unified sports. It was suggested to include information about upcoming plays, musicals and concerts as the senior community members are very interested in attending these types of events.

Mrs. Compagno reported that she will be working on a page for the website on where to find specific information on the site such as student registration, the budget, the *Focus on Education* newsletter, etc.

Mrs. Compagno updated the group on the district video being developed by Alex Roth (former student) which should be completed early next year. She also reported that the next edition of the *Focus* newsletter will come out at the end of November.

Policy Update
Mr. Neviaser distributed draft sample policies from Shipman and Goodwin titled Prohibition of Sex Discrimination Including Sex-Based Harassment (student and personnel series) and the related administrative regulations.

The committee discussed how this subject is handled at the high, middle and elementary level and how it includes online harassment as well. Mr. Neviaser explained that although there is not much change to the policy, the newer version provides more guidance on prompt and equitable resolution of complaints made by students and staff. There was consensus to bring the new policy to the Board of Ed for review and approval.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.