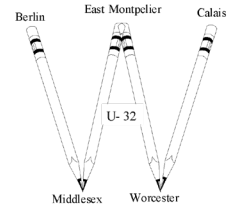


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**WCUUSD  
Policy Committee  
Wednesday, January 8, 2025  
5:00 - 6:00 PM  
Rumney Memorial School**

**Present:** Chris McVeigh, Natasha Eckart, Steven Dellinger-Pate, Gillian Fuqua, Amelia Contrada, Ursula Stanley

- 1. Call to Order:** Chris McVeigh called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.
- 2. Approve Minutes of 10.10.24, 11.13.24, 12.9.24:** Amelia Contrada moved to approve the minutes as presented. This motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Policy Workplan:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate provided this document as a reference to committee members. He noted that this is considered a “living document” that will evolve in an ongoing way depending on the work of the committee.
- 4. Policies for Review**
  - 4.1. C9 Nutrition & Wellness:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate stated that this policy would come back before the committee at a future date. However, there is state guidance that a group of stakeholders should review this policy at least every three years, and notes from the review will come to this policy committee to review/ update the policy. Some discussion followed around the composition of the group to review the policy. Steven Dellinger-Pate indicated that he thinks it will be at least another month to two months before this group comes together. He will keep the committee updated on the work of the group.
    - 4.1.1.VSBA Model Policy**
  - 4.2. F20 Fiscal Management & General Fiscal Accountability:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate shared that Susanne Gann had reviewed this policy; there was some discussion of the best use of the board’s time to review inventory annually. She had recommended that this not be part of the policy; the board can request a review if they see the need. Amelia Contrada suggested changing the verbiage to “maintaining a system...” Steven Dellinger-Pate stated that these more detailed accounting practices (such as inventory report) are part of the annual audit, so it seems redundant to have it in the policy. Amelia suggested that “maintaining a system...” and perhaps referring to the audit would be keeping it clear for future board members. Ursula Stanley stated that if the board wants something to happen as procedure on a regular basis then it should be written in policy; this makes a case for putting the verbiage as suggested by Amelia into the policy.

- 4.3. **Procurement Conflict of Interest:** Zach Sullivan had provided some written feedback about this policy. Committee members discussed this policy, especially the concept of “accepting” items from others, (for example, items such as a pen or a coffee mug or food items like cookies, etc.) and the idea of “conflict of interest.” Steven Dellinger-Pate will follow up with Susanne Gann via our auditors and others, to see if there are similar policies that work for others.
- 4.4. **Amendment to Building Use Policy:** Steven Dellinger-Pate had expressed concern with the “automatic approval” clause that Chris McVeigh had suggested at the previous meeting. He would like to leave the policy as it is, and address issues on a case-by-case basis, within procedure, around building use requests that languish without timely response from building administrator.
- 4.5. **B31 Educator Supervision and Evaluation (Removed by VSBA 1/12/24):** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate shared that this model policy had been removed in January 2024 and is no longer listed in the recommended policy list. He noted that the supervision/ evaluation process is spelled out in the teachers’ contracts. He noted that the up-to-date teacher’s contract has some inconsistencies with the policy that is currently in place. Natasha Eckart suggested, in the language of the policy, referring to the contract; that way the policy will be kept up to date along with the updated contract. Discussion followed regarding the teacher’s contract.

Natasha Eckart had shared with the committee information about a “Sanctuary City” policy. She will forward more information to committee members for future consideration.

- 4.6. **B30 Staffing and Job Descriptions**
- 4.7. **C30 Student Medication ( Removed by VSBA 10/7/24) replaced by VSBA with C71**
- 4.8. **Emergency Medication**

## 5. Future Agenda Items

- 5.1. Update from workgroup regarding Nutrition & Wellness
- 5.2. Next Meeting: Feb 12, 2024 (meeting start time 5:15 p.m.)

## 6. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Grace, Committee Recording Secretary