MINUTES
Special Meeting
Policy Committee
Monday, September 8, 2025; 4:30 p.m.
Mitchell Elementary School
Flanders Room

Committee Members Present:
Chris Matta, Chair
Alice Jones
Carol Ann Brown
Caren Lipinski (via phone)

Absent:
n/a

Also Present:
Brian Murphy, Superintendent of Schools

I. Call to order

Chris Matta called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

II. Policy 5131.911 Connecticut School Climate Policy

Bullying investigation procedures

- The state has increased the number of instances that are defined as bullying

Annual climate surveys

- Connecticut state law requires annual climate surveys, which the district has conducted
- Surveys are distributed to all parents, students, and certified staff
- The district has consistently received positive survey results
- Survey results are used for planning and review purposes

School climate committees

- Each school has established a school climate committee
- Committees include representatives from multiple stakeholder groups: principals, teachers, students, and community members

Motion

Chris Matta made a motion to accept/approve Policy 5131.911 as presented and that it be brought to the full board for a first read and subsequent approval, seconded Alice Jones, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried unanimously.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Approved

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Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Paige
Board Clerk

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