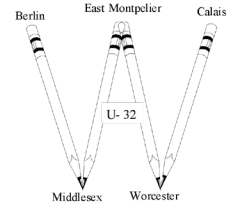


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## WCUUSD Policy Committee Minutes February 11, 2026 5:00-6:30 PM U-32

**Present:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate, Amy Molina, Chris McVeigh, Ursula Stanley, Amelia Contrada

- 1. Call to Order: Chris McVeigh called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.**
- 2. Approve Minutes of 1.7.26: Ursula Stanley moved to approve the minutes of Jan 7, 2026. This motion carried unanimously.**
- 3. Review Policy Workplan**
  - 3.1. E20 Community Use of School Facilities:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate shared a redlined version of this policy for the committee's consideration. Some changes were made in the language of "principal, superintendent, designee" in the policy. The committee discussed these changes. There was some discussion about "easement" being in the policy; Chris McVeigh explained that this is applicable for some of the elementary schools in WCUUSD. Ursula Stanley suggested that the language indicating town governance bodies answers this concern. "Superintendent or designee" for all (and in essence, the designee would be the building principal). The committee discussed making sure there is an individual that an appeal can go to - e.g., if the principal is the person who answers the original request of use of facilities, then an appeal would go elsewhere (the superintendent, the board?) Some discussion around priorities: changing "priority" to "top priority." Discussion around changing the terms regarding the length of time for the request. Use the language "upon request" instead of "special circumstances." This policy is ready to go to the board for first reading. (With a redline copy for comparison)
  - 3.2. C23 Student Clubs and Activities (Replaced C22 by VSBA 1/2/26):** For this policy (and the next), the VSBA model policies are slightly different from the versions that were included in tonight's packet. Amy Molina suggested that since we already have good policies in place, we wait until we have all the information together to consider these versions. Ursula Stanley asked that we review the procedures we are currently following when considering these new versions. The committee agreed that Amy Molina will consider

these new versions (VSBA models), in light of the current procedures in place, and will make note of anything that is not consistent. The committee would like to see the procedures when they consider the new versions of these policies (VSBA C23 and 24)

### **3.3. C24 Student Athletics Programs**

**3.4. E21 Distribution of Non-School-Sponsored Literature in Schools:** Steven Dellinger-Pate clarified how this policy connects with our Acceptable Use Agreement. The policy (E21) will include the Acceptable Use Agreement in the reference section *Acceptable Use Agreement*. This will go to the board for first reading.

#### **3.4.1. Acceptable Use Agreement**

**3.5. Cell Phone Model Policy:** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate stated that there are some updates under development for this policy; he stated that a student group is working on providing input (with Student Council at the lead). The legislature has developed this policy and the intention is to implement the updated policy at the beginning of the school year. The committee suggested that students might like to come to the Policy Committee or the WCUUSD Board to talk about their discussions and their thinking around this policy. The students are working on developing procedures. Amy Molina shared that the Student Council is meeting with the larger body of students next week (Monday 2-4-26 during callback time 1:15 pm) and then in early April 8 (after school faculty meeting) they are making a presentation to the faculty to get feedback on the procedures. The board will have a first reading at the next board meeting; the second reading (likely, adoption) will be in March, and if possible the procedures can be provided to the board in May (May 20th). This policy will be implemented at the beginning of 2026-27 school year. Amy Molina will pass this information/ timeline along to the Student Council. Chris McVeigh asked her to convey that they are welcome to attend any or our meetings, and to let us know if they would like us to join their meetings.

### **3.6. AI materials**

**3.6.1. <https://education.vermont.gov/sites/aoe/files/documents/edu-aoe-ai-guidance-for-Education.pdf>** Superintendent Dellinger-Pate shared two points around this policy - important to include:

- Something around professional learning with staff
- Adding curriculum expectations for student learning (hopefully this work can occur in April and May)

Superintendent Dellinger-Pate stated that this has been a difficult topic and the idea of professional learning/ training around AI is a topic of discussion. Some discussion about developing curriculum around the use of AI. Amelia Contrada stated that she believes that we need to approve something soon - and that we need to add in the “safety language” with all of it. The AOE guidelines are very extensive. The importance to continuously review and revise the policy. Center curriculum on a human-centered angle and consider what the impacts are social-emotionally, neurologically etc., as research continues to evolve. She stated that the European Union passed policy years ago and she believes we should utilize the resources and research from those who are ahead of us in this work. There was some discussion around policy drafts and working documents through the lens of “discoverable” materials. Steven Dellinger-Pate stated that he would like to incorporate the information that we have as a working document for the committee so that we can consider this at the next committee meeting in April and bring to the board in April for first reading. This policy

will direct procedures, curriculum, and training. The policy is “what” and the procedure is “how.” Ursula Stanley stated that it is helpful to consider policy and procedure side by side.

4. **Public Comments:** None tonight
5. **Future Agenda Items:** Revisions to the work plan (which is a working document)
  - 5.1. **Next Meeting:** April 1, 2026
6. **Adjourn:** At 6:30, the committee adjourned by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Grace, Committee Recording Secretary