

The New London Board of Education Policy Committee meeting was held on November 18, 2025 via Zoom teleconferencing.

1. Call to Order

Nathan Caron, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present for the Committee: Nathan Caron – Committee Chair
Elaine Maynard-Adams – Committee Member
Scott Garbini – Committee Member
Betsy Perkins – Community Representative

Absent for the Committee: Colleen Delaporta-Wells – NLEA Representative

Present for the Administration: Kristea A. Francolino – Manager of Executive Support Services
Christine Pemberton – Executive Director of Talent & Human Resources
Dr. Cynthia Ritchie – Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Samantha Wilson – Child Nutrition Program Director

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Mr. Garbini, seconded by Mr. Caron, to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2025 Policy Committee meeting.

Motion failed, 2-0-2
Abstaining: Ms. Maynard-Adams
Ms. Perkins

4. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Caron, seconded by Ms. Maynard-Adams, that the following items, as set forth on the Consent Agenda for the Policy Committee meeting of November 18, 2025 be approved unless removed by a Committee Member or the Superintendent of Schools:

- a. Adopt the Following Policy
 - i. 3542.41 – Professional Standards for Food Service Personnel

Motion carried, 4-0

5. Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

- a. Adopt the Following Policies

i. 3542.22 – Food Service Personnel – Code of Conduct

Motion by Ms. Maynard-Adams, seconded by Mr. Caron, to adopt Policy 3542.22 – Food Service Personnel – Code of Conduct

Ms. Maynard-Adams asked why this policy was needed, and Ms. Francolin clarified that it is a mandated policy.

Motion by Mr. Caron, seconded by Mr. Garbini, to table Policy 6148 to a future meeting.

Motion carried, 4-0

b. Approve the Following Policies

i. Recodify and Approve Policy 6142.2 – Student Wellness to be Policy 6142.101 – Student Nutrition & Physical Activity

Motion by Mr. Garbini, seconded by Mr. Caron, to recodify and approve Policy 6142.2 – Student Wellness to be Policy 6142.101 – Student Nutrition & Physical Activity.

Ms. Wilson clarified that the District Wellness Committee exists in a very basic format, including herself, Mr. Alex Leigh (District Chef), Mr. Miguel Gautier (Executive Director of Operations), and some community partners. Ms. Maynard-Adams asked if this is something that FRESH could be involved in, and it was clarified that they could be. Ms. Wilson stated that the Child Nutrition Program (CNP) partners with FRESH in the summers and during school breaks.

Motion carried, 4-0

ii. Approve Policy 6142.10 – Health Education Program

Motion by Ms. Maynard-Adams, seconded by Mr. Garbini, to approve Policy 6142.10 – Health Education Program.

Ms. Maynard-Adams asked if lunches are provided to non-public schools. Ms. Wilson clarified that there was a time in the past when this service was provided to St. Mary's but it has not happened since. She stated that there is no longer an interschool agreement with any non-NLPS school.

Motion carried, 4-0

6. Committee Member Comments

Ms. Maynard-Adams thanked Mr. Caron for all that he has done for this committee throughout his tenure as Chair. Ms. Perkins echoed Ms. Maynard-Adams and added that he is efficient, kind and runs a wonderful meeting. Mr. Garbini stated that having chaired this committee before, he understands the work that it takes to do, and thanked Mr. Caron for his service to the Board and this committee.

Mr. Caron thanked all present. He stated that it is an act of care for the district and students and wants to thank everyone for the work they put into this committee as well.

7. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Garbini, seconded by Ms. Maynard-Adams, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried, 4-0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristea A. Francolino
Manager of Executive Support Services