

Gaston County Schools Board of Education

Board Policy Committee Meeting

Committee Members: Dot Cherry (Chair), Janna Smith, A.M. Stephens III

October 5, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Board Room, 943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC 28054

Agenda	Lead	Action
Call to order	Dot Cherry, Chair	
Agenda Adoption	Dot Cherry, Chair	Action
Approval/Correction of Minutes September 14, 2026	Dot Cherry, Chair	Action
Policy Review (from September 14) 9110 Bidding for Construction Work	Dot Cherry, Chair	Discussion (Potential recommendation to full Board for Approval at the October 19, 2026 Regular meeting)
Fall 2026 Policy Updates • 1310/4002 (GCS #4020) Parental Involvement • 1510/4200/7270 (GCS #4200) School Safety • 1760/7280 (GCS #1760/7233) Prohibition Against Retaliation • 1760/7280 (GCS #1760/7233) Prohibition Against Retaliation • 2300 Board Meetings • 2320 Compliance with the Open Meetings Law • 3220 Technology in the Educational Program • 3420 Student Promotion and Accountability • 3430 School Improvement Plan • 4110 Immunization and Health Requirements for School Admission • 4303 (No GCS Policy) Fair and Consistent Discipline Administration • 4328 Gang-Related Activity • 4351 Short-Term Suspension • 4400 (GCS #3480) Attendance	Dot Cherry, Chair	Discussion

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● 4720 Surveys of Students ● 5028/6130/7267 (GCS #6171) Automated External Defibrillator Cardiac Emergency Response ● 5070/7350 (GCS #5070) Public Records – Retention, Release, and Disposition ● 5120 (GCS #5005) Relationship with Law Enforcement ● 5150/7313 Reporting to External Agencies ● 6140 GCS #3530 Student Wellness ● 6430 GCS #8675 Purchasing Requirements for Equipment, Materials, and Supplies ● 6525 (GCS #3250) Instructional Materials Services ● 7130 Licensure ● 7300 Staff Responsibilities ● 7430 Substitute Teachers ● 7510 Leave ● 7325 (New Policy) Paid Parental Leave ● 7810 (GCS #7700) Evaluation of Licensed Employees ● 7811 (GCS #7710) Plans for Growth and Improvement of Licensed Employees ● 9220 Security of Facilities		
Other business Next Meeting date: November 9, 2026	Dot Cherry, Chair	Information
Adjourn	Dot Cherry, Chair	Approval