

Minutes

Policy Committee Meeting
Waterford Board of Education
15 Rope Ferry Road
May 16, 2016

Present: Ms. Benvenuti, Mr. Merriman, Ms. Nazarchyk

Absent: None

Staff: Mr. Giard, Superintendent; Mr. Powers, Assistant Superintendent

Ms. Nazarchyk established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Motion: That the Policy Committee approve the minutes of April 11, 2016.
Benvenuti, Nazarchyk: 2-0

The changes to policy and regulation 3524.1 – Pest Management/Pesticide Application were reviewed. A short discussion ensued on the use of pesticides in the district and notification to parents.

Policy 4112.5/4212.5 – Security Check/Fingerprinting contains revisions surrounding the Board’s access to personal online accounts. Mr. Merriman entered the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

5113 – Student Attendance contains revisions to the policy and regulation. The major changes surround the addition of language regarding students who are chronically absent and clarification on disciplinary absences.

Policy 6144.1 – Exemption from Instruction was revised to reflect current statutes. The committee discussed the provision that requires students to receive an alternate assignment and what that would entail.

Policy 6146.2 – Statewide Proficiency/Mastery Examinations was revised to take out specific references to CMT and CAPT testing and just refers to the statewide mastery examination approved by the State Department of Education.

Changes to policy and regulation 6153 – Field Trips were reviewed. The majority of changes were focused on field trips abroad on the recommendation of legal counsel. The committee discussed the steps in the planning process and expectations once students are on the trip.

The committee reviewed changes to policy 4135.4/4234.4 – Staff Complaints and Concerns. These changes adjust the language so that issues are directed through the Superintendent and not the Board of Education.

Changes to bylaw 9325 – Meeting Conduct were reviewed. The committee discussed how the bylaws are the Board’s operating principles and rules and the need to add a means for telephonic participation.

Motion: That the Policy Committee adjourn its meeting at 6:26 p.m.
Nazarchyk, Benvenuti: 3-0

Respectfully submitted,
Ms. Nazarchyk, Recording Secretary