

Policy Committee

MINUTES

October 18, 2016

6:00 PM at Great Brook Middle School Library

Members	Rich Cahoon - Chair, Janine Lesser, Thomas Kelly, Kristen Reilly, Stephan Morrissey, Kimberly Saunders, Marian Alese Attendees: Rich Cahoon, Tom Kelly, Janine Lesser, Myron Steere, Kristen Reilly, Stephan Morrissey, Marian Alese, Kimberly Saunders Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM	
1.	a. Approval of September 20, 2016 Minutes – Stephan motioned to approve the minutes; Kristen seconded the motion. Minutes approved as written.	
2.	2nd Read Policies: The following policy going to the Board tonight for a 2 nd read: 1. IMDA: Patriotic Exercises (no comments received)	
3.	Old Business: 1. NHSBA 2016 Fall Policy Update Description -- the following policies are coming back for a post-law conference discussion. Kimberly and Marian attended the Kidder Law Conference and provided feedback on the following policies: a. ACE: Procedural Safeguards: NonDiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap/Disability (both versions) Our version was written several years ago by our Legal Counsel. Rich asked if we actually need to change this policy as all language is based on the statutes. Kimberly indicated that she hesitates to send anything to Legal without committee approval. Rich asked if this committee wanted to send ACE to Legal or wait for Legal to reach out to the District. Kristen asked if Kimberly had a preference. Kimberly indicated Legal is very good about reaching out. Janine likes the look or the NHSBA version. We distribute Procedural Handbooks frequently. In this instance, Richs prefers to side with Legal, rather than NHSBA. Vote: Rich asked for a vote to indorse Kimberly’s conversation with Legal; all approved. ACTION: Kimberly with speak with Legal Counsel regarding this policy. b. EEA: Student Transportation Services (both versions) – Marian would like to keep the 1-mile reference that exists in our present policy. We do not tell the School Board (within 10 days) whenever there is a change. Kimberly asked about modifications to existing stops or additional routes only?	

	<p>We do notify parents who are impacted by a bus route change/modification. We will strike the 10-day reference. What about the paragraph three reference to private schools? We need to include charter school reference. This would be a public charter school within geographic limits of the district. Rich feels there are enough differences to keep our own policy. ACTION: incorporate edits and send for 1st read in November.</p> <p>c. EF: Food Service Management (Marian to check our policy as it applies to outsourcing) Marian is having difficulty finding a vendor who has an outsource reference/contracted service. We still have to follow the laws the state has established. Even though we have a separate policy on pricing, we will need to add pricing information to this policy. ACTION: Add additional text on pricing and outsourcing reference and send for a 1st read in November.</p> <p>d. GBCD: Background Investigation and Criminal Record Check Legislature is trying to undo the confusion that was created with the last release of this statutes. ACTION: Will keep this in the old business pending list.</p> <p>Our Right to Know – Kimberly would like Dean/Legal to come and review our processes to make sure we are all on the same page. Kimberly heard some points at the Law Conference that surprised her. She would like to have Legal come back in for a workshop with the Board. Rich would like for him to come to a Board meeting to speak, rather than at the new member induction series. A possible Q & A meeting...possibly in nonpublic. Rich would like to see/hear something more than just his PowerPoint presentation. Kristen suggests identifying specific topics for him to address. We will base his visit on the Supreme Court dates as policies change.</p> <p>Both Marian and Kimberly are concerned about adequacy dollars going to charter schools. We do not have any charter schools in this District, but there is a public charter school in Keene. One piece that Kimberly would like clarification on it the ability to distinguish the platform from which a person is speaking (Board member vs. employee vs. citizen). There are concerns around this (with Marian). Kimberly would like to have Board members attend the Law Conference next year. Marian and Kimberly will review the list for future discussions. ACTION: Kimberly with speak with Dean Eggert to establish a date for this special meeting.</p>	
4.	<p>New Business:</p> <p>1. JJJ – Access to Public School Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School, and Home Educated Pupils Kimberly was asked to soften this content. We would not pay uncovered associated fees (sports) to these students, as we do not pay them for our students. Kimberly would like to have Legal review this to make sure we are not opening ourselves up litigation. We have to allow home educated students access to the curriculum they request. We do not allow</p>	

	<p>them for lunch and/or recess only. Credit depends on the time the student is in the building.</p> <p>ACTION: Kimberly will find out about distinctions before going for a 1st read.</p> <p>2. Social Media – presently, we do not have a social media policy. Kimberly asked if this committee is comfortable with her developing a procedure to address social media, or do you prefer to have her work with Dean/Legal to establish a social media policy. Stephan would like to start with the procedure, and see how it shapes up.</p> <p>Kristen asked if this would counter the Communications committee discussion next week. The thought was no, for now. There may be a time when we want to say that something falls under our jurisdiction.</p> <p>ACTION: Kimberly will work on the Procedure for issue and will bring it to a future Communications Committee.</p>	
5.	<p>Pending Business:</p> <p>For an unidentified future meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IKG: Awards and Scholarships – Marian 2. JEDB: Student Release Precautions – this policy is dated 1991. Committee agreed to rewrite this policy. 3. JLIE: Student Automobile Use 4. Strategic Plan Goal 1 Policies: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. IF: Instructional Approach b. IFA: Instructional Needs of Students with Different Talents -- Kristen asked what this (Talent) means. This is a case of good intentions becoming too inclusive. Kimberly will look at this. c. IGA: Curriculum Development d. IHBA: Programs for Students with Disabilities e. 5. NHSBA Updated Policies – pending <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. JCA: Change of School or Assignment (legal counsel) b. JJJ: Access to Public School Programs by Nonpublic, Charter Schools, and Home-Educated Pupils (Kimberly to soften wording) c. JLCD: Administering Medication to Students (nurses to review) d. KB: Title I Family and Community Engagement Policy (both versions) e. KLG: Relations with Police Authorities 	
6.	<p>Non-Public: RSA 91-A:3,II (if required)</p>	
7.	<p>Motion to adjourn: Stephan moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Kristen. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.</p> <p>Next Meeting: November 1, 2016 @ 6:00 PM</p>	

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hills