

CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent of Schools
106 Hancock Road, Peterborough, NH 03458-1197

POLICY COMMITTEE

March 5, 2019
SAU Finch Room
6:00 PM

Minutes

Committee Members:

Rich Cahoon – Chair, Janine Lesser, Kristen Reilly, Crista Salamy, Jerry Wilson, Stephan Morrissey, Kimberly Saunders, Ann Forrest

Attendees: Rich Cahoon, Janine Lesser, Kristen Reilly, Jerry Wilson, Stephan Morrissey, Myron Steere, Dr. Ann Forrest, Dr. Kimberly Saunders

1. **Call to Order & Approval of February 5, 2019 Minutes**
Congratulations to Dr. Kimberly Saunders on achieving her Doctorate.

The meeting was called to order by Janine Lesser at 6:02 PM.

Move to approve the February 5th minutes made by Jerry Wilson and seconded by Kristen Reilly. All in favor.

2. **Policies to the Board:**

The following policies will be presented for a second read at tonight’s Board meeting:

- a) GADA: Employment References and Verification (Prohibiting Aiding and Abetting of Sexual Abuse)
- b) JJJ: Access to Public School Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School, and Home Educated Pupils

3. **Policies for Discussion**

New Policies for Discussion:

- a) CFA: Individual School Administrative Personnel; also included is the NHSBA procedure. Dr. Saunders indicated the School Board should be hiring only teachers and the Superintendent. If the Board hires anyone else, they are giving the new hires rights that they do not have under the law and makes it difficult for the Superintendent to terminate employment. For example Dr. Saunders should be signing Dr. Forrest’s contract. NHSBA indicated this is already policy so it did not have to be made law. Dr. Saunders can have our legal counsel look at this if this committee wishes. We will keep this policy on the agenda for further discussion. This would apply to principals and paras but would not apply to teachers.

Rich Cahoon feels we have an issue with getting the legislature's ear and he's not sure he wants to. He feels someone erred and this is the reaction.

ACTION: Dr. Saunders will bring this to Legal for review and we will hold this for further discussion after a legal review.

Existing Policies That Require Updating: includes NHSBA updated policies

- a) ADB/GBEC: Drug-Free Workplace/Drug-Free Schools (also applies to identical policy ADB, included)
NHSBA updated in Sept. 2018. How seriously do we want to take the NHSBA version? The committee agrees that the NHSBA version is better than our existing policy.
Do we post on the buses? The "Drug-free" distance around a school is 1000 ft. This NHSBA policy also defines the workplace. Vaping is included in this.
ACTION: Dr. Saunders will bring this to Legal for review and we will hold this for further discussion after a legal review.
- b) ADC/GBED/JICG: Tobacco Products Ban Use and Possession In and On School Facilities and Grounds.
NHSBA defines the different tobacco products; ours is not as extensive. We can add information on field trips under the section of Students. This applies to all students, regardless of their age. Rich Cahoon indicated their implementation section is not in our policy. Kristen Reilly inquired about parents who help out on long field trips, like DC. Are they told at a parent meeting that they cannot smoke and drink?
Does this include nicotine patches or gum? It's not mentioned.
We will move forward with this NHSBA version.
ACTION: Move forward for a 1st read.
- c) BFA: Policy Development System – NHSBA call letter change to BGA and review; both policies included. Our policy is dated 1991.
ACTION: We agreed to update the call letters, strike the content on H and the second sentence in I, reorganize, and send for a 1st read.

ACTION: March B policies detailed list for new Board members.

Motion to adjourn made by Stephan Morrissey at 6:55 PM, seconded by Jerry Wilson and Kristen Reilly.
Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

*** Pending from Past Meetings: Status Report --** They are not included in this packet but will appear on a future agenda.

- a) EEAG – Use of Private Vehicles on School Business: Changed "teacher's to "employees" in paragraph two. The Superintendent wants to discuss Legal's edits with Dean Eggart.
- b) ILD & ILD-R: Non-Educational/Non-Academic Questionnaires, Surveys, and Research – pulled pending further research.
- c) JLD: Guidance Counselors: awaiting feedback from Legal
- d) IHBG: Home Education – Returning for further discussion. Superintendent status report
- e) EFDA: Overdue Accounts – awaiting additional content on reconciliation of overdue accounts

5. Strategic Plan Related Policies: Not in this packet

The following policies fall under the Assessment category for the Strategic Plan and will first go before the **Education Committee**. They are not included in this packet but will appear on a future agenda.

- a) IGA: Curriculum Development
- b) IHBH: Extended Learning Opportunities
- c) IHBI: Alternative Learning Plans
- d) IK: Earning of Credit
- e) ILBA: Assessment of Educational Programs
- f) ILBAA: High School Competency Assessments
- g) IMBC: Alternative Credit Options

Communications Committee:

- a) Community Partnerships: KCB;

6. Next Meeting: March 19, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hills