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*POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING*

*Approved 4-9-2019*

Date: Monday, March 11, 2019

Meeting Time: 10:30

Place: Superintendents Office, Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School

Attendance: Ms. Bridgett LaBrecque, Policy Committee Chairperson and BOE Member; Mr. Walt Petruniw, BOE Member and minute taker; Ms. Vivian Thumser, *ex-officio* (arrived 10:55); Dr. Lois DaSilva-Knapton, Superintendent of Schools; and Ms. Sarah Cary, CES Principal.

Meeting came to order at 10:45 AM with a quorum present, and review of the policies listed below commenced:

*MEETING AGENDA & MINUTES*

1. CABE Policies

- a. *Policy 5132 Dress and Grooming* – Policy was reviewed, discussed and found acceptable as currently on file. The only change or revision recommended was to update the policy with a new refreshed reviewed date.
- b. *Policy 5131.81 Electronic Devices* - Policy was reviewed, discussed and found acceptable as currently on file. The only change or revision recommended was to update the policy with a new refreshed reviewed date.
- c. *Policy 6141.327 Electronic Resources (New Policy)* – The possible new suggested CABE policy was review. It was recommended that it was not needed at this time, because the existing BOE policies cover the topic.
- d. *Policy 3520.14 Data-Based Information and Management System (New Policy)* – This possible new policy was reviewed and a lengthy discussion followed. The wording of either the initial policy or the alternate policy wording was not acceptable as written. It was thought that the wording appeared ambiguous, and brought about many more questions as to the policy intent versus what the policies seems to say. Furthermore, it was mentioned that this suggested policy would likely be updated again by CABE in the future with some revisions. It was recommended to send this to CCAT for their review and opinion before it is readdressed by the committee.

2. Superintendent's Suggested Policies

- a. *Policy 4112.4 Health Examination* – After a lengthy and detailed discussion, It was recommended that this policy be revised by the removal of unnecessary portions (portions which were seemly archaic) of the policy and also revise the related information in the corresponding form for this policy. It was further thought that times have changed and evolved to a point where the intent of the examination should be

- b. more along the lines of a wellness assessment instead of the current wording in the existing policy.
  - c. *Policy 5118.111 Tuition for Faculty Children* – This policy was discussed at length and its history on how it evolved was mentioned. Various concerns were expressed and the possible applicability of Policy 5118 for Non-Resident Students was brought into the discussion. No committee recommendations were made at this time, and the topic may come back for further discussion at a later date.
3. Round Table Discussion - Discussions about about tuition, Magnet Schools, and designated high schools were topics covered during the round table portion of the meeting. No further actions or recommendations resulted from the round table discussions.
4. Adjournment: MOTION - Mr. Petruniw made a motion for adjournment and the motion was seconded by Ms. Thumser. The meeting was closed at 12:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Petruniw