

Policy/Communications MINUTES

Brookfield High School Auditorium

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

6:00 PM

Mrs. Brooks called the Policy/Communications subcommittee meeting to order at 6:01 pm

**Present:** Debbie Brooks, Amy Foster and Superintendent Dr. John Barile

Mike Murphy arrived at 6:08 pm

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**POLICY**

Dr. Barile shared with the subcommittee that since 2007, CT State law addresses Transgender students and public bathroom utilization. Since Boards of Education communicate through policy it is important to provide administration and the public with the Boards expectations of how locker room and bathroom issues will be addressed and adhere to applicable state and federal laws, as well as CSDE guidance

**New Policy # 5145.53- Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth (recommended NOT required)**

The subcommittee discussed New Policy # 5145.53- Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth. After discussion, D. Brooks moved, A. Foster seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to bring this new policy forward to the full Board for a first reading on October 19, 2022.

**Existing Policy #6161.3- Compatibility of Service (Policy already exists but is outdated)**

The subcommittee discussed Existing Policy #6161.3- Compatibility of Service. After discussion, A. Foster moved, D. Brooks seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to delete Brookfield's version of this policy and adopt CAGE's and bring this recommendation to the full Board for a first reading on October 19, 2022.

**New Policy #6172.4- Title I- (Mandated, Missing Policy)**

The subcommittee discussed New Policy#6172.4, Title I. After discussion, D. Brooks moved, A. Foster seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to bring this new policy to the full Board for a first reading on October 19, 2022.

Dr. Barile discussed the workload regarding current policy work and upcoming tasks going forward.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The subcommittee had brief discussion regarding District Newsletters prepared by Dr. Anna Mahon- Newsletter & Webpage, Mrs. Amy DeNicola-Hickman- Newsletter, Superintendent Barile- Newsletter and the District Website.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Mrs. Brooks adjourned the meeting at 6:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk