

Policy/Communications Meeting
MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

5:45 PM

Brookfield High School Media Center

POLICY

The Policy/Communications subcommittee meeting was called to order by Rosa Fernandes at 5:44 pm

Present: Rosa Fernandes, Debbie Brooks, Superintendent Dr. John Barile, Director of Business & Operations Ken Post, Director of Special Services Dr. Christine Sipala, Director of Technology Eric Conklin and Lisa Gramling

Absent: Bob Belden

R. Fernandes moved, D. Brooks seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from January 16, 2019.

Continue discussion of New Policy #6163.32, Service Animals

Dr. Sipala addressed regarding the Service animal policy which included discussion about the “handler” and the difference between service animals and therapy animals. Dr. Sipala will gather more information regarding the handler and will bring it back to the subcommittee.

Continue discussion of Policy# 3171.1 Non-Lapsing Education Fund

Dr. Barile talked about the highlighted language regarding the non-lapsing policy. The district currently does not have this policy in place. After discussion to make some minor language changes, R. Fernandes moved, D. Brooks seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to bring this policy to the full Board for a first reading.

Discussion of Policy# 3516, Safety

Mr. Post gave a brief overview of the Safety policy. His recommendation is to delete the current policy and adopt CABE’s version. The language regarding school security and safety committee is more defined in the CABE version. After discussion, R. Fernandes moved, D. Brooks seconded, and the subcommittee voted unanimously to bring this policy to the full Board for a first reading.

Discussion of Policy# 3532, Insurance

Mr. Post discussed adding one sentence from the CABE version to the existing version of this policy. He is checking on what the percentage of replacement costs should be and will report back to the subcommittee.

Discussion of Policy#3130, Budget Publication/Adoption

Mr. Post suggested that minor changes be made to this policy and after discussion, R. Fernandes moved, D. Brooks seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to bring this policy to the Board for a first reading.

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Website Feedback

Mrs. Fernandes and Mrs. Brooks asked about making it easier for people to find information on the website, i.e. budget, blue notes, sports calendar, new school project information. Mr. Conklin will address these issues.

Budget Flyer/Video

The subcommittee discussed the 2019-2020 budget flyer and the possibility of creating a brief video.

Without objection, R. Fernandes adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Gramling, Board Clerk