

Minutes
Policy Committee Meeting
Waterford Board of Education
15 Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, CT
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B.O.E Members: Mr. Benoit, Ms. Gaughan, Mrs. Benvenuti

Staff: Mr. Giard, Superintendent, Mr. Powers, Assistant Superintendent, Andre Hauser, WHS Principal

Mr. Benoit called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m., established a quorum and approval of minutes from the December 3, 2018 policy committee meeting.

Motion: That the Policy Committee approve the minutes of December 3, 2018.
Gaughan, Benvenuti 3-0

For old business: Policy 5141.21 – Administration of Medication: Clarifications to questions posed at last meeting were addressed.

Motion: That Policy 5141.21 move to the full board.
Benvenuti, Gaughan 3-0

For new business, Policy 5141.4 - Reports of Suspected Abuse or Neglect of Children or Sexual Assault of Students by School Employees

Motion: That policy 5141.4 move to the full board.
Benvenuti, Gaughan 3-0

Regulation 2300 – Policy Regarding Retention of Electronic Records and Information was discussed and it was noted that legal counsel has updated the language to include Digital Imaging of Paper/Hard Copy Records.

Student Membership on the Board of Education was reviewed by having the HS Admin. review the various opportunities that currently exist for student awareness of BOE meetings. A review of what other school districts do regarding student membership to the BOE was also reviewed. The policy committee declined to move a formal policy to the BOE, instead the committee recommended to the administration that the High School could have high school student liaisons to our BOE, like other town liaisons to our board (Park and Rec, Finance, RTM).

Policy 3240- Tuition Fees was discussed and it was noted that all questions and concerns were satisfied.

Policy 6146 – Graduation Requirements: The current policy and the draft proposed policy, which outlines the statutory and district changes for graduating class of 2023 was reviewed and discussed. The proposed increase in credit graduation requirements, would need some new courses, but should have no impact on current staffing to meet the requirement. The policy committee discussed what the statutory requirements, within this policy are and what are the locally developed requirements. The policy committee agreed to remove the Learning Through Service requirement, since the statutory requirement of a Capstone project will consume a great deal of time outside of the classroom and would have a community component part to the project.

Motion: That the Policy Committee adjourn its meeting at 10:17am
Benvenuti, Gaughan 3-0

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Benvenuti, Recording Secretary