

Meeting Minutes

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POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Present: Henry Adams, Trish Brigham, Anne Belden, Jeff Shedd ,
Nancy Hutton,

Tom Eismeier, Bob Lyman

Guests : Mary Cox, Corinne Earnshaw

Other School Board members: Rebecca Millet, Elaine Moloney,
Kevin Sweeny

New Business

1. Presentation by two HS students and SAC members, Mary Cox and Corinne Earnshaw regarding suggested revisions to the Substance Abuse Policy.

Major recommended changes are :

- Getting rid of the self referral piece of the policy
- Adding an educational component- mainly a “checklist” whereby students would have to gather information exploring the community costs of policy violation
- More specifics and clarifications in several areas of the existing policy such as how offenses accumulate
- The additional inclusion of having contracts apply to not only athletes, but students in all co-curricular activities.

The committee will be recommending to the Board that we form a Board Advisory Committee with the charge of reviewing and revising the existing policy. It will be recommended that the advisory committee be comprised of 2 high school students, Keith Weatherbie, 2 school board members, Katie Lisa, one MS guidance counselor, 2 other staff - one from the HS and one from the MS and the Community Liason Officer

Old Business

1. Policy IHADA – Post Secondary Enrollment Options

Jeff presented the re-write using recommendations from the last meeting

He will add a clause under Awarding Credits, which will address how GPA is figured for these classes

2. Policy IKB – Homework

We discussed that while the current policy may reflect MS and HS overall practice and philosophy, it may in fact not for PC. We also agreed the the current attached guidelines are no longer what we want to have. We identified the need for community/school discussion around our philosophy of homework and how we might frame that discussion.

Bob will gather sample policies and also research in this area. We will look towards possibly holding some type of community forum or school board workshop in the Fall .

3. Policy IGA – Curriculum Development and Adoption

Bob re-wrote using committees suggestions

An item will be added regarding the School Board approving the district's course of study.

Other Business

School Board members remained to discuss Board Governance Policies

1. BDE Board Standing Committees

Revisions were made and will be presented for first reading

2. BDF- Board Advisory Committees

MSMA sample policy was reviewed, changes made and will be presented for first reading.

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