

**BOE Policy Committee Agenda**  
**October 11, 2017, 8:00 am**  
**Municipal Building, Shared Meeting Room One**  
**3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT 06470**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**APPROVE MINUTES** of September 28, 2017

**OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion and possible action:

Item	Reports
Policy 4112.52/4212.52 Criminal History Record Information (CHRI)/Security Check/Fingerprinting. S. D'Eramo has asked to speak to the committee about the regulation for this policy before it is forwarded to the Board of Education for approval. Specifically about a revision to R4112.5/4212.5(a) #4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• S. D'Eramo has reviewed this policy and regulation, and is requesting the Committee to consider a change to the regulation before it is forwarded to the Board of Education for approval. J. McEvoy will invite S. D'Eramo to attend an upcoming policy meeting.</li></ul>
Policy 4111/4211 – Personnel – Certified/Non-Certified – Recruitment and Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• S. D'Eramo to review current policy and update from CABE, then come back to committee with suggestions. J. McEvoy will invite S. D'Eramo to attend an upcoming policy meeting.</li></ul>
Proposed Policy from D. Petersen on “Classroom Observations by Parents” – Agreed upon edits were made and the committee needs to decide whether to have two policies or have D. Petersen’s proposed policy be a subset of CABE’s broader Policy P1250 titled “Community Relations – Visits to the Schools”. There is also a current Newtown Policy P1250 to review as well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review Newtown Policy, as well as CABE’s Policy, on “Community Relations – Visits to the Schools”. Committee to decide whether D. Petersen’s proposed policy on “Classroom Observations by Parents” should be a separate policy or a subset of the broader Policy P1250.</li></ul>
Policy 5144.1 – Use of Physical Force – Physical Restraint/Seclusion. Need to review based on CABE updates. J. McEvoy to send to D. Petersen for her review.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Newtown Policy 5144.1 (that was endorsed by the subcommittee to go forward to the BOE when the 5000 series group of policies is moved to the BOE for review) needs to be reviewed with CABE updates based on 2017 legislation.</li><li>• J. McEvoy will invite D. Petersen to an upcoming policy committee meeting to share suggestions/input.</li></ul>
Policy 5141.251 – Accommodating Students with Special Dietary Needs – This policy was approved at the 9/28/17 policy committee meeting to move forward to the BOE with the agreed upon edits. A. Dalton and D. Petersen are to review the regulation more fully.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A. Dalton and D. Petersen to review regulation and give feedback to J. McEvoy for the committee.</li></ul>

Policy 6172 – Alternative Education Program – committee asked T. DeJulio, K. Longobucco and C. Oster to review the revised policy and regulation and give them feedback/suggestions based on their vision for Newtown High School’s “The Alternative Program” (TAP). Should the following statement be added and, if so, where in the policy? “This policy does not pertain to expelled students. Procedures for expelled students are outlined in Policy 5114 – Suspension and Expulsion.” Policy is mandated if district has an alternate program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C. Oster, T. DeJulio and K. Longobucco to review policy and regulation and either come back to J. McEvoy with suggestions or come to a later policy meeting to discuss their feedback with the committee.</li> </ul>
Policy 5125 – Student Records: Confidentiality. Need to review based on CABE updates. J. McEvoy to send to C. Amodeo for her review.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review current policy based on update from CABE.</li> <li>• J. McEvoy will invite C. Amodeo to an upcoming policy committee meeting to share any feedback.</li> </ul>
Policy 6172.4 – Parent and Family Engagement Policy for Title I Students – progress on this CABE policy and our current policy 7-409.1, Title I Parent Involvement, being reviewed by PTSA members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status of L. Rodrigue’s request to PTSA members for meeting with those interested in reviewing Policy 6172.4 – Parent and Family Engagement Policy for Title I Students.</li> </ul>

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion and possible action:

L. Rodrigue asked that the following question be added to this Policy Committee Agenda: Are there any current policies on who’s allowed to pick up students from school? Some principals have received requests from parents to allow their older child to walk their younger child home.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J. McEvoy requested any policy information on this from CABE.</li> </ul>
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## **UPDATE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted: Michelle Ku, Policy Committee Chair