

BOE Policy Committee Agenda
October 25, 2017, 8:00 am
Municipal Building, Shared Meeting Room One
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT 06470

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

APPROVE MINUTES of October 11, 2017

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action:

Item	Reports
Policy 6172 – Alternative Education Program – committee asked T. DeJulio, K. Longobucco and C. Oster to review the revised policy and regulation and give their 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.”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• T. DeJulio, K. Longobucco and C. Ostar have been invited to a policy committee meeting to give their thoughts and feedback on Policy 6172 – Alternative Education Program.
Policy 5145.4 - Americans with Disabilities Act and Policy 4118.14/4218.14 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disabilities. These are policies from CABA based on the new regulations to the Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Act. S. D’Eramo and D. Petersen have been sent these policies to review and bring back their input and suggestions to the committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• J. McEvoy has invited S. D’Eramo and D. Petersen to a policy committee meeting to share their feedback on Policy 5145.4 – Americans with Disabilities Act and Policy 4118.14/4218.14 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disabilities.
Newtown Policy 1250 Community Relations – Visits to the Schools and Proposed Policy from D. Petersen on “Classroom Observations by Parents” – D. Petersen has asked the committee to add the last paragraph (as regards the issue of confidentiality) of her proposed policy to the appropriate place in Policy 1250.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• J. McEvoy has invited D. Petersen to a policy committee meeting to discuss adding part of her proposed policy on “Classroom Observations by Parents” to the current Newtown Policy 1250 Community Relations – Visits to the Schools.
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. D. Petersen has reviewed the regulation for this policy and has no suggestions for changes. A. Dalton will provide feedback on this regulation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A. Dalton has been invited to attend a policy committee meeting to give her thoughts and suggestions on the regulation for Policy 5141.251 – Accommodating Students with Special Dietary Needs.

Policy 5141.25 – Students with Special Health Care Needs – Life-Threatening Allergies and Glycogen Storage Disease Management. Meeting was to be held as regards 5141.25(e) G and the logistics involved in distributing the IHCP and ECP to all school staff who supervise students at school sponsored after school activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update from L. Rodrigue on the results of the meeting to discuss Policy 5141.25 – Students with Special Health Care Needs – Life-Threatening Allergies and Glycogen Storage Disease Management, and the concerns regarding implementing 5141.25(e) G.
Policy 5125 – Student Records: Confidentiality. L. Rodrigue to meet with C. Amodeo to discuss this policy based on CABE update.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Rodrigue to share the results of her meeting with C. Amodeo regarding CABE update to Policy 5125 – Student Records: Confidentiality.
Policy 6172.4 – Parent and Family Engagement Policy for Title I Students and our current policy 7-409.1, Title I Parent Involvement. These policies are to be reviewed by L. Rodrigue and interested PTSA members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Rodrigue to update the committee on the status of reviewing Policy 6172.4 – Parent and Family Engagement Policy for Title I Students and our current policy 7-409.1, Title I Parent Involvement - with PTSA members.
Policy 5114.21 – Conduct Code for Participation in Extracurricular Activities – M. Memoli to revise the regulation for this policy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. McEvoy to check with M. Memoli as to the status of this revision to the regulation for Policy 5114.21 – Conduct Code for Participation in Extracurricular Activities.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action:

Proposed Homeschooling Policy 6172.3(a) (from the State of CT) – D. Petersen has submitted to the committee a proposed policy used by the State of Connecticut as regards homeschooling. J. McEvoy has asked CABE to send any policies they have on homeschooling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D. Petersen has been invited to a policy committee meeting to discuss the Homeschooling Policy 6172.3(a) that she is proposing.
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UPDATE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Policy 3541 – Transportation - L. Rodrigue to meet with T. Einhorn and J. Ross regarding transportation issues, especially as relates to students walking to/from school and parents requesting that children take different buses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Rodrigue to share the results of her discussion with T. Einhorn and J. Ross as regards Policy 3541 – Transportation – and the issues surrounding walkers and bus change requests.
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

Submitted: Michelle Ku, Policy Committee Chair