



MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015

Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Community Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Policy Committee Chairperson Burtnik .

1. Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Trustee Fera

2. Attendance

Committee Members	Present	Absent	Excused
Kathy Burtnik (Committee Chair)	✓		
Frank Fera	✓		
Dino Sicoli	✓		

Trustees:

Maurice Charbonneau
Pat Vernal
Ted O'Leary
Fr. Paul MacNeil

Student Trustees:

Chloe Demizio, Trustee
Jessica Di Pasquale, Trustee

Staff:

John Crocco, Director of Education
Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education
Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications Department
/Recording Secretary

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the April 28, 2015, Policy Committee Agenda be approved, as presented.

APPROVED

4. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. **Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of March 24, 2015**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Policy Committee approve the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of March 24, 2015, as amended.

APPROVED

6. **Policies**

ACTION REQUIRED

POLICIES - FOR RECOMMENDATION TO MAY 12, 2015 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

6.1 Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4)

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted amendments to the Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4) following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

POLICY STATEMENT

- No amendment

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the May 12, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4), as presented.

APPROVED

6.2 Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5)

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted amendments to the Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5) following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

POLICY STATEMENT

- No amendment

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to May 12, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5), as presented.

APPROVED

POLICIES - PRIOR TO VETTING

Nil

POLICIES – UNDER REVIEW

6.3 Attendance Support Program Policy (201.16)

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education presented revisions to the Policy Statement following recommendations at the April 28, 2015 Policy Committee Meeting. The Policy Committee discussed in detail the revisions to the Policy Statement and provided additional recommendations.

Utilizing the information provided, the Policy Committee requested that John Crocco, Director of Education and Superintendent Iannantuono include the recommendations in an additional revision to the Policy Statement only for discussion at the May 26, 2015 Policy Committee Meeting.

The Policy Committee agreed that in addition to the six policies scheduled for presentation following the vetting process at the May Policy Committee Meeting, the Policy Committee would review the additional revisions to the Attendance Support Program Policy Statement pending available time at the meeting.

Following approval by the Policy Committee on the revisions to the Attendance Support Program Policy Statement, revisions to the Administrative Guidelines will be made and presented to the September Policy Committee Meeting for review by the Policy Committee.

INFORMATION

6.4 Policies Currently Being Vetted

Due Date – May 1, 2015

- Progressive Student Discipline – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.9)
- Admission of Elementary & Secondary Students Policy (301.1)
- Safe Physical Intervention with Students Policy (301.8)

Due Date – May 11, 2015

- Purchasing/Supply Chain Management Policy (600.1)
- Equity and Inclusive Education Policy (100.10)
- Retirement & Service Recognition Celebration Policy (201.2)

7. Date of Next Meeting

May 26, 2015 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.