



MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the Holy Cross Community Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Director Crocco, who chaired the meeting until the election of a Committee Chair.

1. Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Trustee Huibers

2. Election of Chair of the Policy Committee 2019

Director Crocco asked for nominations for the position of Chair of the Policy Committee 2019. Trustee Fera nominated Trustee Huibers.

Director Crocco asked Trustee Huibers if he wished to stand for the position of Chair of the Policy Committee. Trustee Huibers accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations forthcoming. Trustee Huibers was acclaimed to the position of Chair of the Policy Committee 2019.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT Trustee Huibers be elected to the position of Chair of the Policy Committee 2019.
APPROVED

3. Attendance

Committee Members	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Larry Huibers (Committee Chair)	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Leanne Prince	✓			

Trustees:

Rhianon Burkholder
Kathy Burtnik

Student Trustees:

Jade Bilodeau
Madison McKinney

Staff:

John Crocco, Director of Education
Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education
Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education
Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources
Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services

Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications Department
/Recording Secretary

4. Approval of Agenda

Director Crocco requested that Item 7.3 be moved to Item 7.1

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the March 26, 2019 Policy Committee Agenda be approved, as amended.
AMENDED

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

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

6. Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of February 26, 2019

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Policy Committee approve the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of
February 26, 2019, as presented.
APPROVED

7. Policies

ACTION REQUIRED

POLICIES - PRIOR TO VETTING

7.1 Community Use of Facilities Policy (800.2)

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services and Kathy Levinski, Administrators of
Facilities Services, presented the Community Use of Facilities Policy (800.2).

The Policy Committee suggested the following amendments:

POLICY STATEMENT

- No amendments

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- Page 4, bullet 19 – add “*sensory rooms*”
- Page 4, bullet 23 – add “*Permit holders will be responsible for cost associated for additional cleaning.*”
- Page 7, bullet 1 – remove “*be a licensed bartender and/or*” and add “*Any individual serving alcohol must have a Smart Serve Certificate.*”
- Page 7, bullet 4 – remove “*handle nor*”

The Policy Committee requested that the Community Use of Facilities Policy (800.2) be vetted from March 27, 2019 to May 8, 2019, with a recommended deadline for presentation to the Policy Committee in May, for consideration to the Committee of the Whole and Board in June.

POLICIES - FOR RECOMMENDATION TO APRIL 9, 2019 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

7.2 Employee Hiring and Selection (Teachers) Policy (203.1)

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the Employee Hiring and Selection (Teachers) Policy (203.1) following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the Employee Hiring and Selection (Teachers) Policy be deferred to the April Policy Committee meeting.

7.3 French Immersion/Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students Policy

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the French Immersion/Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students Policy following the vetting process.

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

POLICY STATEMENT

- No amendment

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the April 9, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the French Immersion/Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students Policy, as presented.

APPROVED

POLICIES - PRIOR TO VETTING

7.4 Religious Education Courses for Staff Policy (201.3)

Superintendent Iannantuono, presented the Religious Education Courses for Staff Policy (201.3).

The Policy Committee suggested the following amendments:

POLICY STATEMENT

- Remove “*as required by the Collective Agreements*”

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- No amendments

The Policy Committee requested that the Religious Education Courses for Staff Policy (201.3) be vetted from March 27, 2019 to May 8, 2019, with a recommended deadline for presentation to the Policy Committee in May, for consideration to the Committee of the Whole and Board in June.

7.5 Sun Safe Policy (NEW)

Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education, presented the Sun Safe Policy (NEW).

Following discussion, the Policy Committee requested the contents recommended be included within the Board’s Extreme Heat/Extreme Cold Weather Protocol and not as a policy.

7.6 Bullying Prevention & Intervention – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.8)

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented the Bullying Prevention & Intervention – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.8).

The Policy Committee suggested the following amendments:

POLICY STATEMENT

- No amendments

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

- No amendments

The Policy Committee requested that the Bullying Prevention & Intervention – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.8) be vetted from March 27, 2019 to May 8, 2019, with a recommended deadline for presentation to the Policy Committee in May, for consideration to the Committee of the Whole and Board in June.

INFORMATION

7.7 Policies Currently Being Vetted to April 11, 2019

- Safe Schools Policy (302.6)
- Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4)
- Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5)
- Financial Investment Policy (NEW)
- Corporate Cards, Purchasing Cards and Petty Cash Policy (600.4)

7.8 Policy and Guideline Review 2018-2019 Schedule

Director Crocco presented the Policy and Guideline Review 2018-2019 Schedule.

8. Date of Next Meeting

April 23, 2019 – Start time to be determined and posted on the Board website and agenda cover.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.