



Citizens' Policy Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Administration Building

Attendees: Dr. Joyce Mundy, Ms. Kati Driban, Ms. Bonnie Berry, Mr. Michael Borkowski, Mr. Jim Ford, Mr. Scott Huber, Mr. Ken Karff, Ms. Christy Matik, Ms. Christine Richie, Mr. Connor Ruch, Mr. Anthony Rudy, Mr. Brian Swank, Ms. Ellen Torre

Topic	Notes	Follow Up
1. Welcome	Committee members introduced themselves. We are fortunate to have new community members join us this year.	
2. Minutes:	The minutes for the meeting held June 4, 2014 were reviewed. They were approved by Ms. Driban and seconded by Mr. Huber.	
3. Review of Process:	Dr. Mundy and Ms. Driban explained the process regarding the review of policies and the charge of the committee.	
4. Review of Policies:	<p>1. <u>Policy 246. Student Wellness</u> : the policy was reviewed and the following comments/questions were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - p.2 states that the Wellness Committee is responsible for developing, implementing and periodically reviewing and updating a Student Wellness Policy. There was a concern about giving the wellness committee the ability to develop and implement the policy as that is the Board's responsibility. See below: - U.S. School Code 42 Section 1758 states, "A requirement that the local educational agency permit parents, students, representatives of the school food authority, teachers of physical education, school health professionals, the school board, school administrators, and the general public to participate in the development, implementation, and periodic review and update of the local school wellness policy." - p. 3 states that drinking water shall be available and accessible to students without restriction and at no cost at all meal periods. Dr. Mundy confirmed with the assistant principals who were present that water is available during meals and students are 	

	<p>allowed to get a pass from their teacher to get a drink during the day.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Many students bring their own water to school and refill their bottle throughout the day. - A student wellness report will be provided by the Superintendent to the Board by way of Operations Committee on the District's compliance with law and policies related to student wellness. <p>2. <u>246-AR-1 Student Wellness</u>: student wellness is governed by state standards and guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This AR mentions the availability of water at no cost to students. Water is allowed into classrooms in closed containers. There needs to be consistency among all grade levels regarding the permission of water in classrooms. - A committee member mentioned that it is not appreciated when children are told by the school what they can and can't eat. Parents prefer to have the authority to allow their children to eat certain items. - Dr. Mundy mentioned that federal mandates have changed and the district won't receive federal funding if we don't comply with the mandates. - A student was asked if the consensus at the high school is that children like lunch or do not like lunch. He said that students complain about wheat pizza crust and wheat bread. A parent stated that portions are too small. - With regard to snacks for celebrations, many districts are stopping snacks for celebrations. Some alternatives are to have a parent read a book to the class, send pencils, send pretzels or fruit cups as a healthy alternative. A recommendation was made to have the teacher make the child feel special on their birthday. Acknowledge the student throughout the day. Klinger announces the student's birthday on the morning announcements and on the electronic banner in the cafeteria. - Balance is key. <p>3. <u>246-AR-4 Letter to Parents/Guardians In-School Birthday Celebrations</u>: The AR was reviewed. The AR will be renumbered to 246-AR-2. Otherwise, the AR is fine and will be updated with a list of food items recommended for parties when Dr. Mundy meets with the Wellness Committee.</p> <p>4. <u>209.1 Serious Allergies</u>: A recommendation was made to add to the corresponding AR a list of allergens included in USDA guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language was added to the policy that information from the policy would be included in the Student Code of Conduct. 	<p>The recommendation will be shared back with principals and to Administrative Policy Committee.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Input from administration and parents concurred that having a severe allergy doesn't seem to be such an anomaly with the students. The non-allergic students seem to make accommodations to be able to eat lunch with their allergic friends. - Nurses check all food that comes into the school. - Cafeteria monitors and nurses know who the children are that have serious allergies. <p>5. <u>209.1-AR-1 Serious Allergies</u>: A recommendation was made to add to the corresponding AR a list of the most common food allergens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milk • Eggs • Peanuts • Tree nuts such as almonds, walnuts, and pecans • Soybeans • Wheat • Fish • Shellfish such as crab, lobster, and shrimp 	<p>Added list of allergens to 209.1-AR-1</p> <p>Added a list of the most common food allergens, per USDA Guidelines to 209.1-AR-1.</p>
<p>5. Next Meeting Date</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 5, 2014 – 6:00 pm</p>	