



Minutes

Citizens Policy Committee

January 3, 2018

6:00 pm – Dot Henry Conference Room

Attendees: Dr. Jennifer Polinchock, Tara Pellegrino, Elyanor Adnane, Michael Borkowski, Jim Ford, Julie Henrich, Ken Karff, Christine Richie, Krista DiPaolo (community visitor)

Topic	Notes	Follow Up
1. Review of Minutes:	Reviewed minutes from November 1, 2017	Approved
2. Introductions:	The committee members introduced themselves and welcomed School Board member and committee chair, Tara Pellegrino.	
3. Policies: Where are they now:	The list of policies that have been presented to the committee and approved by the Board of School Directors were shared with the committee.	
4. 000. School Board Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Polinchock reviewed Policy 000. School Board Policies with the committee to explain the Citizens Policy Committee to the committee. 	
5. 126. Class Size and ARs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy and its ARs were reviewed and discussed. • The policy, AR-0. Class Size and AR-1. Elementary Class Staff Assignments are ok as written. • AR-2. Secondary Staff Assignments was revised to state that maximum caseload of 150 students is as per the collective bargaining agreement. In addition, the acronyms that are included in the AR will be spelled out for clarification. • Some HS classes may be light in enrollment due to the topic. No class is held with less than 15 students without approval from the Superintendent. We try not to exceed 30 students per class. • The Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO) sets the guidelines on class size. • This policy and its ARs will be presented to the Board on February 13, 2018 for initial distribution/discussion. 	
6. 202. Eligibility of Non-resident Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy was reviewed and discussed. • The policy was revised to make it clear that gap year students will pay tuition. • The district is forging partnerships with schools in China for an exchange program. • Students in China attend high school for three years then have a gap year prior to attending college. They would attend school here for their gap year. • This policy and its ARs will be presented to the Board on February 13, 2018 for initial distribution/discussion. 	

<p>7. 239. Foreign Exchange Students and AR</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy and its AR were reviewed and discussed. • AR-0. Foreign Exchange Students was revised to account for the gap year students coming from China. • This policy and its ARs will be presented to the Board on February 13, 2018 for initial distribution/discussion. 	
<p>8. 719. Unmanned Aircraft Systems – Drones and ARs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy and its ARs were reviewed and discussed. • This policy was developed from a sample policy and was reviewed by our solicitor to address drones as they are becoming more prevalent. • If used by district students for educational purposes, drones are permitted (with permission). Drones are not to be used to surveil property or grounds without permission. • The possibility of posting signs – No Drone Zone – was discussed. • The policy and its ARs are acceptable as written. • This policy and its ARs will be presented to the Board on February 13, 2018 for initial distribution/discussion. 	
<p>9. Next Meeting Date</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 7, 2018</p>	