

Minutes of the Board of Education **Policy Committee Meeting** held on **Thursday, December 1, 2011**, in the Board of Education Conference Room.

Committee Members Present: *Melanie O'Brien, Stuart Carlsen, and William Duff.*

Note: At 6:42PM the Committee recessed to allow the pre-planned board presentation to proceed, it was then reconvened at 8:06 PM to complete the agenda items. When reconvened, Michael Duff, alternate, joined the committee meeting.

Committee Members Absent:

Scott Clayton

Others in Attendance: G. Chesley, Superintendent, J. Jordan, Assoc. Superintendent, T, Yonsky, District Fiscal Director and Larry Craybas (ex officio). Robin Renner attended as an observer only.

Meeting called to order by Melanie O'Brien, Chairman, at 6: p.m.

1. Policy Review -

A. District Safe School Climate Plan 5131.911

The Committee reviewed and discussed the Plan, mandated by Public Act 11-21. After questions and some minor editorial suggestions, it was unanimously approved that the Plan as revised would be recommended to the full Board for approval at its December 15th meeting. A revised Plan showing the insertion of changes will be furnished to the Board prior to the December 15th meeting.

B. Consideration of Bylaws Sections remanded by Board to Policy Committee, 9270,9222, and 9221

A motion was made by Will Duff to insert a thirty day period from notice of resignation to date of application for employment with the Board of Education. There was lengthy discussion of the proposed revision. The motion failed by a vote of 2 to 2. Michael Duff and Will Duff in favor, Melanie O'Brien and Stuart Carlsen opposed.

On a subsequent motion made by Melanie O'Brien to revise section 9270 of the Bylaws to require resignation from the Board of Education prior to submitting an application for employment with the Board (see i.) below), there was unanimous approval.

On a followup motion made by Melanie O'Brien to conform Section 9222 (see ii.) below), there was unanimous approval.

The approved revisions below will be presented to the full Board as per the process for bylaw revision.

i.) 9270 (a)– Conflict of Interest.

Add to subpart 1. a new second sentence to read," If a Board of Education member seeks employment by the Board, he/she must first resign/forfeit his or her Board membership".

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