Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 7, 2015 @ 3:30 PM

Attendees: Maria Barth, Kenny Rotner, Denise Day, Wendy DiFruscio, James Morse, Joshua Olstad, Todd Allen and

Mike McCann arrived at 4:00 PM

Visitors: 0

Called to order at 3:30 by Jim Morse

The agenda is for policies returned by the School Board and additional policies reviewed by administration pertaining to instruction.

Policy JICL – Student Computer and Internet Use was added to the agenda for review. Josh Olstad reviewed the existing policy that was outdated and made needed immediate revision to coincide with the current procedure. Josh explained that starting immediately when the website is accessed this policy will pop up and the user will be asked to read and accept. This policy will be brought forth to the School Board at their meeting this evening as a first read.

Policy IGA – Curriculum Development – Returned to policy committee from School Board for clarification of wording under the section – Development of Guides 1C. Revisions made. Additional clarification were suggested. This policy was placed on hold for the additional suggestions and will be returned to the policy committee at their next meeting.

Policy IHAE – Physical Education – Returned by the School Board for additional review. Lengthy discussion on what criteria and content we want for this policy. Suggestion made that this policy be sent to Todd and the P.E. staff for their input. This policy will be placed on hold until this is completed.

Policy IHAM & R – Health Education and Exemption from Instructions and Opt-out-Form – This policy and form was sent to the Wellness Committee, Principals and P.E. Teachers for review and input. Wellness reviewed and suggested that the form be changed to a more generalized version. P.E. Teachers asked that "physical education" be removed throughout the policy as P.E. and Health each have an established curriculum and should not be paired together in this policy. Additional revision were made. Ready for first read.

Policy IHAH – World Language Program – This policy was not reviewed and will be placed on the next Policy Committee agenda.

Policy IHAK – Character and Citizenship Education – This policy was not reviewed and will be placed on the next Policy Committee agenda.

Policy IHAMA – Teaching about Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco – This policy was not reviewed and will be placed on the next Policy Committee agenda.

Policy IIB – Class Size - This policy was not reviewed and will be placed on the next Policy Committee agenda.

Policy JIH & R – Student Searches and Their Property – This policy needs total revamping to bring it up to date. Administration feels that this policy is too restrictive. The existing policy and procedure will be replaced with the NHSBA versions with some additional revisions and addition of another cross reference – JICI – Weapons on School Property. The revised policy and procedure will be sent back to the policy committee for re-review.

Policy JIHB & R - This policy was not reviewed and will be placed on the next Policy Committee agenda.

Meeting ended at 5:10 PM – Next meeting to be February 18, 2015.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy L. DiFruscio