Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 @ 3:30 PM

Attendees: Denise Day, Tom Newkirk Kenny Rotner, James Morse, Todd Allen, Wendy DiFruscio

Visitors: Suzanne Filippone, Heather Machanoff

Denise called the meeting to order at 3:35 PM.

Dr. Morse opened the meeting by asking, at the request of Suzanne Filippone and Heather Machanoff, if Policy IMBD – High School Credit for 7th & 8th Grade Advanced Coursework be added to the existing agenda for immediate review and revision. This existing policy was implemented prior to the revisions made on the graduation requirement policy and the adoption of the current ELO policy and we need to bring this policy in line with current practice. Suzanne gave examples of some current situations that need to be addressed and revising the current policy will assist in bringing this policy current. Policy committee members asked questions pertaining to VLAC courses and if credit is given for these courses. It was explained that credit is given at the high school level. There was discussion on different revision options. It was determined that the existing policy will be reworded and sent to the School Board for both a first and second read/adoption at the next meeting.

Suzanne and Heather thanked the committee and left the meeting at 4:15PM.

Todd Allen explained that the next policy on the agenda GCBD – Sabbatical Leave is being brought forward for a minor change in the language, resulting from the process that was followed during last year's sabbatical leave. It was determined that the language being removed would allow the outcome of the sabbatical to benefit the students and the District. There were no additional questions and this policy will go for a first read.

Policy JLCF – Student Wellness – Todd Allen explained that the Policy Committee has worked very hard on this policy and that he discussed with them that the policy should be shortened, and the remaining portion would become the procedure. He relayed that a lot of this policy are the Federal guidelines that need to be followed. He also explained that we asked for legal interpretation as to what should be policy and what should be procedure. We were given their interpretation along with a sample policy from another NH school district. Todd explained that he will bring the information acquired and the decision of the committee back to the Wellness Committee for their input before moving forward with any type of revision. He asked if members of the Wellness Committee could come to a future meeting to provide their input. The Policy Committee agreed to wait until a future meeting.

No additional questions or comments.

Meeting ended at 4:50 PM – Next meeting April 10, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy L. DiFruscio