

POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 16, 2017

Present: Tim Sutton, Chair; Dale Norton, Member; Lawrence Small, Alternate Member; Ray Ritchie, Chief Operating Officer; Dennis Scherz and Evangelyn Visser, Associate Superintendents; Kyle Lindberg, Human Resources Director; and Kelly Wood, Executive Secretary.

Absent: Pam Hiler and Mark Hansen, Members.

The Policy Committee was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Pahrump District Office Boardroom. There was no public input at the beginning or end of the meeting. Mr. Norton moved adoption of the agenda, Mr. Small seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote all in favor.

Mr. Small made a motion to approve the 07/26/17 Meeting Minutes, Mr. Norton seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote all in favor.

The Committee looked over the following policies that were up for review:

1840 Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies – Mr. Norton moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5021 School Calendars And Schedules – Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5030 School Day – Mr. Sutton asked if the new school schedule was approved by the State Superintendent which Mr. Norton replied that it had been as well as the 4-day schedule for the rural schools. Discussion ensued. Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5060 Empowerment Schools – Discussion ensued regarding the word “empowerment”. Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5100 Instructional Programs - Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5232 Sex Education instruction – Kelly Wood notes that the NRS at bottom needs to be changed from NRS 389.065 to 389.036. Mr. Norton moved to approve with said change of NRS, Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5238 Career And Technical Education Internships - Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5311 Service Animals - Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5339 Limited English Proficiency – English Learners – Mr. Small moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Norton seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5340 Homebound Services – Mr. Sutton asked if a doctor’s note is required for services to which Mr. Norton replied yes. Mr. Norton moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5342 Participation Of Non Enrolled Students In NCSD Class Or Extra-Curricular Activity – Mr. Norton explains the changes that were made due to legislation changes. Ms. Visser noted a typographical error in the first paragraph. Discussion ensued regarding the definition of “non enrolled”. Mr. Norton moved to approve with the typographical correction. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

5350 Alternate School Program - Mr. Small moved to approve with no changes. Mr. Norton seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

6237 Sabbatical – Mr. Sutton asked a question about the use of “designee” and Mr. Norton explained it is in case the Superintendent is unavailable and must designate someone else to take care of situation. Mr. Norton moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

6315 Leaving School Building During School Day - Mr. Small moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Norton seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7335 Student Conduct in Cyberspace - Mr. Small moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Norton seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7362 Gun Free Schools - Mr. Norton moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7363 Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices – Mr. Sutton asked if anyone had looked at other school policies regarding cell phones in the classroom. Mr. Norton stated that one of the problems is the State would not take a stance on this issue. Discussion ensued. Mr. Scherz spoke about his teaching in another state and they had the same issues and problems. More discussion ensued regarding responsible usage. Mr. Norton made a motion to move the policy to the next meeting for further research on the issue. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7560 Habitual Discipline Problems - Mr. Norton moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7662 Reporting Child Abuse – Child Protection – Mr. Sutton asked when teachers were trained on this issue and Mr. Norton replied they are trained every through Safe Schools, as well as the volunteers. Mr. Small moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Norton seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

7692 Release of Students During The School Day - Mr. Norton moved to approve with proposed changes. Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote all in favor.

The next Policy Committee Meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Sutton adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.