



POLICY/COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2022

Virtual Meeting - 4:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Jodi Bettermann, Chair, Beth Fiore, Eric Zwerling, Jennifer Wolf (absent)

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent of Schools, Jason Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary

Agenda

1. Policy 9130 - Public Grievances Follow Up – The Committee discussed changes to the scope of this policy along with input received from the district’s attorney. This policy is recommended for 1st reading by the full Board.
2. Regulations - General Discussion on access to district regulations.
3. Brainstorm Communications Plan 2022-2023 – Input provided on stakeholders and goals for this plan. Updates to the Green Initiatives section of the website were discussed. Consideration of additions to the plan to include principal newsletters and the possibility of podcasts were also discussed.
4. Internal Review Tracking Document – This document will keep track of policies that are reviewed by the Committee but are determined not to need revisions.
5. Alert 227 (cont’d) – These policies are mandated and include one policy for the district and one policy for each school in the district as required by the NJDOE for Title I. The Policy Committee puts these forward to the full Board for 1st reading.
 - a. Policy 2415.05 - Title I - District-Wide Parent and Family Engagement
 - b. Policy 2415.50/51/52/53 - Title I - School Parent and Family Engagement
6. Policy Alert 228 – To full Board for 1st reading.
 - a. Bylaw 0163 – Quorum – This update addresses use of the Doctrine of Necessity when Board members have a legal conflict which will require a resolution followed by a vote in public session. This is rarely used, but in the case it is needed, this is a transparent way to let the public know why it is necessary and how it will be used.
 - b. Policy 2415 - Every Student Succeeds Act - This policy is being updated to include the Title 1 parental and family engagement policies from agenda items 5a and 5b above.
7. Policy 2530 - Resource Materials and Policy 2510 - Adoption of Educational Materials – These policies were reviewed by the Committee and no changes are currently proposed.
8. Press Releases Tentative Topics (Based on Communications Plan):
 - a. July (due June 15): Summer Reading & Math for Families (Dr. Brown/Ms. Pauch)
9. Agenda items: Alerts 227 and 228 policies, public grievances revision
10. Next Meeting: September 19 at 4 p.m.