

POLICY/COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

November 11, 2019 3:30 p.m.

Committee Members: Robyn Mikaelian, Anna Shinn, Carol Hample, Dr. Jonathan Hart, Jason Bohm

1. Policy Alert 218 - Revisions Con't
 - a. Policy 3218 and Regulation 3218 - Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances (Certificated staff)
and Policy 4218 and Regulation 4218 - Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances (Support staff)
The changes to existing policies are the timeline on producing results of drug testing and addition of a Last Chance Agreement. Mandated, first read.
 - b. Policy 7440 - School District Security and Regulation 7440 - School District Security
Changes noted. We have alarms that meet requirements and maps for law enforcement use. Mandated, first read.
 - c. Policy 8670 - Transportation of Special Needs Students
Language change to be more inclusive and addition of administrative code. Mandated, first read.
 - d. Policy 9400 - Media Relations with Fogarty Letter
Input from our lawyer helped with the rewording needed. Covers media where other policies cover other areas. Privacy and confidentiality stressed. Recommended, first read.
2. Beginning the use of Twitter for communication
 - a. Whitehouse School: @CubsofCharacter
 - b. Three Bridges School: @TBStiger
 - c. Holland Brook: @BobcatsHBS
 - d. Middle School: @RMS_vikings
 - e. Dr. Hart: @hartjonathanr
3. Substitutes and Sick Time – update
Department of Labor to send further clarification on eligible time.
4. Garden State Coalition of Schools – update
Current trends and topics: mental health, pension reform, consolidation. Monthly meetings.
5. Board/District Goals:

a. Board Goal 1: To continue to improve communications and expand community engagement with all stakeholders with a focus on broadening our efforts beyond our locality to highlight and celebrate district accomplishments, emphasizing our sustainability/greening initiatives.

Share with Garden State Coalition, some publications, SEL conference in Maryland for Tumolo and Hart, Singer to attend and present conference, Readington Middle School to go for Green ribbon

b. Board Goal 5: To complete a new strategic plan for the district. Done outlining goals by January. Action items to be discussed.

6. Press Releases Tentative Topics:

- a. December (due Nov 15): ~~Vestibules Complete (Bohm) and/or~~ Strategic Plan Update (Hart) Mental health and parent academy recap
- b. January (due Dec 15): Vestibules complete (Bohm)
- c. February (due Jan 15): Budget time of year (Shinn)
- d. March (due Feb 15): Strategic Plan complete (Hart)
Ideas??

7. Next Meeting-No outstanding business at this time. Tuesday Dec 17 if needed for new policy alerts.