

Eastford Board of Education

Policy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

1. Call to Order: L. Barlow (chair) called the meeting to order at 7:14 PM.

Present: L. Barlow (chair), J. Perry (member), D. Leake (Superintendent)

2. Policy 2260, Retention of Electronic Records and Information

Given that the current BOE policy has some specific language and there was a choice of options concerning digitalization of records, our attorney did a redline of our current policy to produce an updated version. The committee reviewed the updated policy. The Policy committee recommends that the BOE accept the updated version at its meeting in June.

3. Policy 6176, Policy for the Equitable Identification of Gifted and Talented Students

The Policy Committee reviewed the language updates in the latest Shipman & Goodwin model policy that specifically address the inclusion of English learners/multilingual learners in evaluating and identifying students. The Committee recommends that the BOE accept the updated version at its meeting in June.

4. Policy 5120, Homeless Children and Youth

The Policy Committee reviewed the language updates in the latest S&G model policy that specifically address students that are English learners/multilingual learners and families that have limited English proficiency. The Committee recommends that the BOE accept the updated version at its meeting in June.

5. Policy 4112.5/4212.5, Employment and Student Teacher Checks

The Policy Committee reviewed the language updates in the latest S&G model policy that includes more gender-neutral language and reflects the expanded definition of erased criminal records. The Committee recommends that the BOE accept the updated version at its meeting in June.

6. Policy 5144, Administration of Student Medications in School

Our nurse reviewed and agreed with the updated S&G policy changes. Our nurse did not recommend that we include the new option which would allow the setup of a “secure box” or “vending machine” for the distribution of opioid antagonists on our premises. The Policy Committee reviewed the language updates in the latest S&G model policy and the recommendation of our nurse and recommends that the BOE accept the updated S&G version without the additional language at its meeting in June.

7. Policy 4146/4246, Child Abuse, Neglect and Sexual Assault Reporting

The Policy Committee reviewed the language updates in the latest S&G model policy that include expansion of the definition of “sexual contact” and “sexual assault in the fourth degree” and recommends that the BOE accept the updated version at its meeting in June.

8. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Next meeting: June 25,2024 @ 7:00 PM