

Attendance:

Laura Roche, Board of Education
 Joni Capoccitti, GE Consultant

Kathy Hamilton, Board of Education
 Dr. Gejda, Assistant Superintendent*

* Dr. Gejda attended the meeting from 10:00 to 10:30.

• **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Education policy subcommittee meeting was called to order at 9:37 am.

• **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

• **COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) David Abbey & Dr. Reed submitted written comments for several policies for our review.
- 2) David Freedman is now a member of the policy committee but was unable to attend today.
- 3) It has been referred to the policy committee that we update our policies with responsibilities of all of the Board of Education standing committees.
- 4) Graduation requirements resolved for next year’s freshman and sophomore. The requirements refer to CAPT – use a more generic term like “State Assessments”.
- 5) Discussion about Virtual Online Course – linda to forward electronically – will review at next meeting.
- 6) 8-704, “*Student Nutrition and Physical Activity (Student Wellness Policy)*” (CABE policy #6142.101) needs to be updated with gym requirements per PA 13-173 (add 6 grade and 20 minutes of physical exercise and any punishment can’t eliminate gym or recess.
- 5) Research if the BOE chair is an ex-officio member of committee would that be an FOI violation if 4 show up to meeting – Mr. Storm to look into.

• **APPROVE MINUTES OF December 12, 2013**

Ms. Roche made a motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2013, Ms. Hamilton second. All in favor.

• **UNFINISHED BUSINESS - REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS OF OPEN 12/12 ACTION ITEMS:**

Responsible Party	Action	Status	Due Date	Complete Date
Administration	Review of policies submitted by policy group	Incorporated some changes changes for policy #'s: 4111, 4111.1,4118.11,4118.113, 5131.111	1/9/2014	1/9/2014
Dr. Gejda	Review and Approve Title IX policies	In review with Dr. Gejda	1/21/2013	
Ms. Hamilton	Combine CABE policy 5114 with Newtown policy 7-401	Complete	1/9/2014	1/9/2014

Ms. Hamilton, Ms. Capoccitti	Combine CABE policy 4118.231/4218.2 with Newtown policy 4-701; add legal refs and nicotine innovations	Both Joni & Kathy submitted information on medical marijuana. Revisions Complete.	1/9/2014	1/9/2014
Ms. Hamilton	Combine CABE policy 3524/3524/1 with Newtown policy 3-900 (Pesticide Application)	No Action - carry forward.	1/21/2014	
Committee	Superintendent Review Process: 2-103, 2-103.1, 2-103.2	Begin work in conjunction with new Superintendent	TBD	
Committee	CABE policies: 3432, 3433 (Budgeting and expense reporting)	For Future Thought	TBD	

- **FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

Jan 21, 2014: Municipal Building Conference Room 1; 9:30-12:30

**In the future, if there are any days in which the school system has a delayed start or cancellation due to weather, the meeting will be cancelled.

- **NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON NEXT SET OF POLICIES TO REVIEW:**

The policies below were not discussed. Carry forward as new business on 1/21/2014.

Newtown Policy Number	CABE Equivalents	Policy Content
8-300	6141.328, 6141.321, 6141.322, 6141.323	Acceptable Use of Technology
8-605	5131.911, 5131.91	Safe School Climate (Bullying/Hazing)

- **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No public participation.

A motion by Ms. Roche and seconded by Ms. Hamilton was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 pm. All in favor.

Action Items:

Responsible Party	Action	Comments	Due Date
Ms Hamilton	Continue Review and Update of comments received from Dr. Reed and David Abbey	Policy #s: 4000.1, 5145.5, 5145.51, 5145.52, 5145.6, 6114, 6114.3, 6114.7, 6121, 6121.1, 1331, 5125, 5136	1/21/2013
Dr. Gejda	Review and Approve Title IX policies	Carry forward - In review with Dr. Gejda	1/21/2013
Ms. Hamilton	Review & Approve policy 5114 (Newtown policy 7-401)		1/21/2014
Ms. Hamilton, Ms. Capoccitti	Combine CABE policy 4118.231/4218.2 with Newtown policy 4-701; add legal refs and nicotine innovations	Approve policy based on input from both Kathy & Joni	1/21/2014
Ms. Hamilton	Combine CABE policy 3524/3524/1 with Newtown policy 3-900 (Pesticide Application)	Review any proposed changes with Mr. Faiella	1/21/2014
Committee	Consider adding policy for online learning		TBD
Committee	Add changes to 8-704/6142.101 as described above.		1/21/2014
Committee	Consider Weston Policy #5136 (Use of privately owned technological devices by students)		TBD
Committee	Consider Weston Policy #4118.35 (Employee Use of the district's computer systems and electronic communications)		TBD
Committee	Consider Weston Policy #4118.5 (Personnel – Social Networking)		TBD
Committee	Superintendent Review Process: 2-103, 2-103.1, 2-103.2	Begin work in conjunction with new Superintendent	TBD
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Submitted: Kathy Hamilton, Policy Committee Chair