

Park Ridge-Niles School District 64
Board of Education Policy Committee
Virtual Meeting via Zoom
Alternate Remote Attendance at:
Hendee Educational Service Center
164 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge, IL 60068

Minutes of the Meeting
September 15, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

Committee members in attendance via video conference:

Dr. Eric Olson, Superintendent – attending from Hendee Education Service Center
Rebecca Little, Board Member
Carol Sales, Board Secretary

The Board Policy Committee meeting began via Zoom remote participation at 2:00 p.m. No members of the public attended remotely or in-person. The committee reviewed and discussed the policies listed below. The policies from PRESS 105 were previously reviewed by the District Policy Committee.

Review of Policy 4:60 *Purchases and Contracts*

The committee invited Chief School Business Official (CSBO) Luann Kolstad, and Director of Instructional Technology and Innovation Mary Jane Warden, to join the review of this policy. Some Board members had previously expressed the desire to require a more thorough bid process for purchases related to technology and associated services. The committee discussed how burdensome this would be and how it might affect the timing of delivery of devices and other necessary equipment. CSBO Kolstad noted that a bid process, as required for construction projects and other larger purchases, is time-consuming and could delay procuring devices and services in a timely manner. In addition, the bid process would require additional legal advice and input which would add significant costs. Mrs. Warden noted that the Technology department was very frugal and mindful of its annual set budget when making purchases, and had established relationships with many vendors that help ensure access to discounted products and reasonable pricing. The committee members agreed to bring an update of their discussion to the Board at the next regular meeting. Mrs. Kolstad and Mrs. Warden left the meeting at the end of the discussion.

Review Final Draft of Policy 4:180 *Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery*

The Board had reviewed and discussed this policy at the last regular meeting on September 10 and had received input from legal counsel. The final draft of the policy was reviewed and will be presented to the Board for adoption at the October 8 regular meeting.

Review Draft Policies from PRESS 105

The following policies were reviewed by the committee:

2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure

2:265 NEW - Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure

5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity & Minority Recruitment
5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
5:100 Staff Development Program
5:200 Terms & Conditions of Employment & Dismissal
5:220 Substitute Teachers
5:330 Sick, Days, Vacation, Holidays, & Leaves
7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities
7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited
7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, & Harassment
7:185 Teen Dating Violence Prohibited

No changes were made to the policies as drafted or updated in PRESS 105. Dr. Olson noted that the District will keep their own version of policy 5:330 currently in place, as it is adapted to the collective bargaining agreement in effect. These policies will be presented for First Reading at the October 8, 2020, regular Board meeting, followed by a Second Reading and Approval at the November 12, 2020, regular Board meeting after any additional revisions.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.