POLICY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Date: April 27, 2017

Place: Board Room, Havemeyer

Present:

Members: Ms. Barbara O’Neill, Chairman

Dr. Gaetane Francis

Mr. Peter Bernstein

Other: Dr. Salvatore Corda, Interim Superintendent

The meeting convened at 7:05 pm.

* **Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: Mr. Peter Bernstein moved to approve the revised agenda. The

Motion was seconded by Dr. Francis.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

* **Action Items:**

1. Approval of Minutes:

A small wording change was discussed for discussion item D.

MOTION: Mr. Peter Bernstein moved to approve the amended minutes

from 4-5-17 PGC meeting. The

motion was seconded by Ms. O’Neill.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

B. CABE Quarterly Highlights

The sample distributed by Ms. O’Neill was reviewed. The greater issue of changing our model for policies and procedures was discussed including the need for full Board discussion and a transition plan if our policy governance model was going to be changed. General cost of changing our model vs the time and effort as well as the $300 to keep current model up to date was compared. Ms. O’Neill will get an estimate of the cost to use CABE’s policies and convert our system. No action was taken.

C. E004 Graduation Requirements

The administration was not prepared to proposal performance requirements for graduation at this time as work is ongoing. The committee members asked that a plan be presented at the 5/3 PGC meeting to be ready for the 5/11 BOE meeting.

C. E011 Policy Sexual Abuse Prevention Education - Erin’s Law

The materials from prior meeting and the revised version sent by Ms. O’Neill were reviewed. One word was removed from the updated version.

MOTION: Dr. Francis moved to approve the revised policy with new wording.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Bernstein.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

* **Discussion Items:**

1. Monitoring Report Agenda Schedule for 17-18

Ms. O’Neill presented the multi-year outline of MR reports up to last spring’s recommendation. The question of how to make the Board most effective in was discussed. Also, the involvement of the new Superintendent, Dr. Gildae, was considered. As a first step, Ms. O’Neill, with feedback from Board members, will present a proposal at the next PGC meeting of which MR reports should be included for the 2017-18 school year.

B. Transportation complaint policy

To be in compliance with state requirements for complaints regarding district transportation, Ms. O’Neill proposed adding wording to the existing E051 policy -

“and develop procedures for reporting all complaints relative to school transportation in accordance with CT. Statute 221c.”In the fourth bullet which pertains to transportation.

It was suggested to add “maintain” in addition to “develop”

MOTION: Dr. Francis moved to approve the revised policy with new wording.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Bernstein.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

C. Acceleration Policy

There was a short discussion of the suggested policy from CABE #5123 and of the existing Greenwich policy and procedure on this topic. Prior to the meeting, Ms. Bonnie O’Reagan said she was working on the with Ms. Ann Carabillo. Further discussion will await her input.

D. Assessment

The need for a clear outline of current assessments with review by the Board on any changes to assessments was discussed.

* **Adjournment**

MOTION: Mr. Bernstein moved to adjourn the meeting. The

Motion was seconded by Ms. O’Neill.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gaetane Francis

Approved 5/3/17

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