POLICY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Date: September 13, 2017

Place: Board Room, Havemeyer

Present:

 Members: Ms. Barbara O’Neill, Chairman

 Mr. Peter Bernstein

Dr. Gaetane Francis

 Other: Dr. Jill Gildea, Superintendent

 Ms. Debbie Appelbaum

 Ms. Jennifer Dayton

 Mr. Peter Sherr

The meeting convened at 2:30 pm.

* **Approval of Agenda:**

MOTION: Dr. Francis moved to approve the agenda. The

Motion was seconded by Ms. O’Neil.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

* **Action Items:**
1. Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Ms. O’Neill moved to approve the 6/14 minutes, Dr Francis seconded.

VOTE: 3 for, none opposed. MOTION PASSED

* **Discussion Items:**
1. CABE Policy System - Conference call With Vince Mustaro

There was a prolonged discussion about the Policy Governance Model in comparison to the Traditional model. Significant similarities exist between the two with regards to the Board and Super functioning as a unified team. The Board sets the direction with the Superintendent and the the Superintendent is responsible for implementing the vision for the school district. In our current PGC model, the Board determines policy and the administration creates the procedures. In the Traditional model, the Board and superintendent create the Policies and Procedures together and the Regulations are created by the administration.

Discussion also included options for different types of policy manuals/governance, but mostly about how a transition might occur. The steps would involve review of the CABE Core Manual, most likely in sections (e.g. 5000 series on students, 4000 staff, 6000 instruction and at some time also the By-laws).

One significant advantage of transitioning to the Traditional CABE model is that it includes automatic updates that fit with the Traditional system and all legislative changes. An audit has already been done cross-walking our current policies to the CABE policy.

B. Workplan

There was a discussion about a transition plan for CABE policies and when this would be presented to the Board. Ms O’Neill will develop a draft plan to present to the Board.

Graduation requirements will to be reviewed. In addition to the recommended policy changes from the administration, CABE policy on graduation as well as that of other neighboring districts will be reviewed.of the monitoring report schedule and the plan to review the agenda again at the next Board meeting. Ms O’Neill brought up remedial reading and it was thought that this could be included in the Humanities report and that the administrators involved should be aware of this prior to presenting.

* **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 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gaetane Francis

Approved 9/28/17

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