**POLICY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Date: February 22, 2017

Place:   Board Room, Havemeyer

Present:

Members: Ms. Barbara O’Neill, Chairman

Dr. Gaetane Francis

Other: Dr. Salvatore Corda, Interim Superintendent

Mr. Peter Sherr, Ex officio

The meeting convened at 1:30 pm.

1. **Approval of the Agenda:**

MOTION: Dr. Francis moved to approve the revised

agenda. The motion was seconded

by Ms. O’Neill.

VOTE: 2 for, none opposed MOTION PASSED

**2. Action Items:**

1. **Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION: Ms. O’Neill moved to approve the

minutes from the 1/25/2017

PGC meeting. The motion

was seconded by Dr. Francis.

VOTE: 2 for, none opposed MOTION PASSED

**B. E004 Graduation Requirements TBD:**

Still waiting for state to go over course catalog. Board needs to approve performance requirements for 2017 graduation. Will likely be participation in CT SAT. 2018 to 2020 graduates will have the same credit requirements will be unchanged, but they will have specific performance requirements. Class of 2021 students will have new credit requirements as required by the state as well as performance requirements.

Dr. Corda will further elucidate the Capstone requirements and the procedures for students who do not look like they are on track to meet graduation requirements.

**C. Employment/Security Reference Checks**:

There was a brief discussion about changing some wording in this new policy recommended by CABE.

**Personnel -- Certified/Non-Certified**

**Employment/ Security Reference Checks**

To create a safe and orderly environment for students, the Board of Education (Board) believes that it is critical that references on an application be checked prior to an offer of employment to anyone who would come in direct contact with children.. ~~Also, in order to create a safe and orderly environment for students, all~~ All offers of employment will be conditional upon finger printing, the successful outcome of a criminal record check,~~. In addition, any person applying for employment with the Board shall a submit to a record~~, check of the Department of Children and Families Child Abuse and Neglect Registry ~~and finger printing. before the person may be hired.~~

~~The background reference checks shall be done in compliance~~ and with all statutory guidelines and Board Policy.

**3. Discussion Items**

1. **Tuition students**

Dr Corda requested that policy E040 contain language on tuition students. He also presented a correlating Procedure.

“Acceptance of Tuition Students - The Superintendent is authorized to accept children of non-resident employees of the Town of Greenwich on a reduced, differentiated tuition basis for attendance in the Greenwich Schools. The Superintendent is directed to develop and implement those procedures consistent with the intent of the Board for the admission of students on a tuition basis.”

This policy requires further review. No action was taken.

The procedure was discussed with emphasis on the removal of specific schools from a list of those less likely to be able to take tuition students to a protocol based on the number of students in the sections of a given grade in a particular school and how that relates to the class size guidelines. Board members commented on aspects of the specifics and Dr Corda will consider those and modify as appropriate.

**B. Board Advisory Committees**

G002 Board Committees was discussed and language was modified to remove the ex-officio as a potential voting member and add language about committees being reviewed on an annual basis.

The Negotiations Committee was renamed *Human Resources Committee* with additional language on making recommendations on human capital issues.

The remainder of the agenda was not covered due to Dr. Corda needing to leave and the additional time that had been required on the covered topics.

**4. Adjournment**

MOTION: Dr. Francis moved to adjourn

the meeting. The motion was seconded

by Ms. O’Neill.

VOTE: 2 for, none opposed MOTION PASSED

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Gaetane Francis

Approved 3/1/17

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