

MINUTES

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Tom Hurley, Ms. Sheila McCreven, and Ms. Diane Urbano.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ms. Sue Cohen.

**Staff members present:** Dr. Charles Dumais.

**Board members present:** Mr. Christopher Browe (from 6:50 pm until 6:15 pm).

A meeting of the Policy Committee of the Amity Regional Board of Education (BOE) was held on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the District Office Conference Room.

**1. Call to Order:** Chairman Tom Hurley called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

**2. Approval of minutes**

**A. December 19, 2016**

*Motion by Ms. Urbano to approve the minute as submitted.*

Discussion followed.

*Motion by Ms. Urbano to approve the minutes as submitted, noting that questions regarding policy 9132.6 (items #12 and #13 in the minutes) were addressed at the full BOE meeting on January 09, 2017.*

**Vote in favor 2-0 (Ms. McCreven and Ms. Urbano)**

**Motion carried**

**B. February 27, 2017**

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to approve the minutes as submitted.*

**Vote in favor 2-0**

**Motion carried**

**3. Public Comment**

Mr. Browe, member of the Amity Board of Education, spoke regarding policy 5142.4 which is item #4 on the agenda; he stated his concerns regarding the changes and implementation of this policy.

**4. Review of Policy 5142.4**

Dr. Dumais reviewed the changes in policy language to this point. Discussion followed regarding the need for other changes. Dr. Dumais addressed the questions and concerns raised by Mr. Browe. There was further discussion regarding the policy, the MOU and the financing of the School Resource Officer (SRO).

It is noted that Dr. Dumais will investigate the existence of policy regarding arrests on school property.

Further discussion was had regarding the use of, access to and storage of any video recordings made on school grounds in the context of the Family Educations Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Dr. Dumais will consult the Board attorney regarding these concerns.

The Committee reviewed all the additional changes/edits made to this policy.

*Motion by Ms. Urbano to send policy 5142.4 to the Board for a second reading with the changes as noted.*

Vote in favor, 2-0

Motion carried

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to recommend to the Board Chairman that a special BOE meeting be scheduled to address the MOU, when it becomes available.*

Discussion followed regarding the motion.

*Motion by Ms. McCreven that upon conclusion of the Policy Committee's review and approval of the MOU, the BOE Chairman be requested to schedule a special meeting to address the MOU.*

Vote in favor 2-0

Motion carried

#### 5. Review of Policy 0050

The Committee reviewed the current policy regarding Mission, Goals and Objectives – Code of Ethics for BOE members.

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to table.*

Vote 1 in favor (Ms. McCreven), 2 opposed (Ms. Urbano, Mr. Hurley)

Motion failed

Further discussion took place regarding policy 0050.

*Motion by Ms. Urbano to delete policy 0050 from the manual because it is duplicated in policy 9271 and is therefore redundant.*

Further discussion followed; it is noted that the two policies, 0050 and 9271 are not verbatim duplicates and that policy 9271 has already been approved.

Vote in favor 2-0

Motion carried

#### 6. Continued review of 9000 series

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to table.*

Vote in favor 2-0

Motion carried

#### 7. Review of 1000 series

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to table.*

Vote in favor 2-0

Motion carried

#### 8. Adjourn.

*Motion by Ms. McCreven to adjourn at 7:55 pm*

Vote in favor 2-0

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth E. Natzel, Recording Clerk