

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

4:00 p.m.

Remote via Zoom

(the meeting was live streamed and is available for viewing on the District's YouTube channel)

Attendees: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro

Absent: Eddy Sloshower

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Chairman Peggy Kelland. Chairman Kelland introduced the committee members.

Roll Call:

Peggy Kelland, Board Member and Committee Chair

John Lumia, Board President, Ex-officio member of the committee (arrived 4:03 p.m.)

Linda Rappaport Board Member

Daren Lolkema, Assistant Superintendent

Alberta Pedro, District Clerk

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1. **Approval of Minutes** - Motion to approve the March 3 minutes. Motion by Linda Rappaport, second by Daren Lolkema. Vote taken.
Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro
Motion carried.

2. **Old Business**

Policy	Discussion
5152.1 - Admission of Foreign Students	<p>The committee reviewed the attorney feedback (below) related to a question about a reference to law that restricted the number of foreign exchange students a district can enroll from the same program.</p> <p><i>The regulations were modified. Current regulation 22 CFR 62.25 states: "Sponsors may not facilitate the enrollment of more than five exchange students in one school unless the school itself has requested,</i></p>

	<p><i>in writing, the placement of more than five students from the sponsor.” I would recommend leaving in the language of paragraph 4. It is the District’s decision whether it would want to authorize a potential situation where one program could place more than five students.</i></p> <p><i>The second paragraph of the policy already states that the District can terminate its relationship with an exchange program when it would be in the best interests of the District. I do not think you would need any additional language to that effect in the J-1 visa section.</i></p> <p>Minor grammatical changes were made to the policy and regulation.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Daren Lolkema. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
5210 - Student Organizations	<p>The committee reviewed the suggested language which aligns to the DASA definition of protected classes. Other minor grammatical changes were made to the policy and the regulation.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by Daren Lolkema, second by Linda Rappaport. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
Discussion on adding the District “W” to school logos	<p>This discussion was initially referred to the agenda setting meeting for possible Board discussion; however, the Board President preferred that continued discussion occur at the policy committee.</p> <p>In light of the fact that Trustee Slosower was not present at this meeting, a motion to table this discussion was made.</p>

	<p>Motion to table was made by John Lumia, second by Linda Rappaport. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
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3. New Business

<p>Policy 5500 - Student Records</p>	<p>Assistant Superintendent Daren Lolkema requested revisions to the Student Records policy, specifically the section on directory information. The changes reflect a more limited policy with respect to the release of student information. The revision to the policy will only permit the district to release directory information when it pertains to yearbooks, honor roll lists, graduation programs, and playbills, without having to obtain parental consent.</p> <p>The committee also specified in the policy the ability of a classroom teacher or designated parent to compile class lists containing contact information, with parent permission, as a means of fostering community and communication between families.</p> <p>Mr. Lolkema also requested that Student ID be removed as a field that could be released as part of directory information. This is due to the Student ID being linked to financial information, such as the student account.</p> <p>A parent is able to opt out within 14 days of notice of the district. The policy also reflects that regardless if a parent opts out of directory information, a student would still be required to have a student ID badge.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by Daren Lolkema, second by John Lumia. Vote taken.</p>
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	Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.
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4. Three-Year Policy Review

Policy	Discussion
5550 - Student Privacy	<p>Based on feedback from the attorney, this policy only needed minor grammatical changes.</p> <p>References to Education Law Section 2-d are not needed as this policy is not specifically about student records.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Daren Lolkema. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
6000 - Fiscal Management Goals	<p>Only minor grammatical changes were made to the policy.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Daren Lolkema. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
6110 - Budget Planning and Regulation	<p>Only minor grammatical changes were made to the policy and regulation.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Linda Rappaport. Vote taken.</p>

	<p>Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
6120 - Budget Hearing	<p>No changes. The policy will be marked "reviewed" on April 7, 2021.</p>
6130 - Budget Adoption	<p>Only minor grammatical and title changes were made to the policy.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Daren Lolkema. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
6140 - Budget Implementation	<p>Only minor grammatical and title changes were made to the policy.</p> <p>Motion to recommend for First Reading made by John Lumia, second by Linda Rappaport. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.</p>
6150 - Budget Transfers	<p>No changes. The policy will be marked "reviewed" on April 7, 2021.</p>
6215 - Senior Citizens' Exemption and Discounts	<p>The committee asked for more information related to the 50% reduction in assessed value for owners 65 years of age or older, based on income limits. The committee wanted to know if the community knew about this exemption for seniors and how was it determined who qualified. It was unclear whether Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law was related to STAR discounts.</p> <p>The district will gather information from the Business Office for the next meeting.</p>

	Motion to table was made by John Lumia, second by Linda Rappaport. Vote taken. Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema, Alberta Pedro Motion carried.
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5. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by John Lumia, second by Daren Lolkema.

Vote taken.

Yes: Peggy Kelland, Linda Rappaport, John Lumia, Daren Lolkema Alberta Pedro

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 p.m.