

Policy Committee Minutes

November 21, 2016

7:00 a.m.

1818 Worley Street

Present were Mrs. Mees, Mrs. Wade, Mrs. King, and Ms. Quinley. Dr. Stiepleman joined via telephone. Mr. Ballenger was not present. Also present were Ms. Adams, Mr. Kurz, Mr. Tilley, Dr. Clippard and Ms. Emily Omohundro of EdCounsel. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mees. Ms. King moved to approve the minutes from September 19th meeting as corrected. Mrs. Wade seconded and the motion carried.

Policy and Regulation Review –

Tier I

None

Tier II

None

Tier III

JFCL – A+ Schools Program

The District A+ advisory committee recommended changes to the policy to align more closely with current practice of the program. Mr. King moved and Mrs. Wade seconded a motion to move forward to the Board of Education.

GCPB – Resignation of Professional Staff Members

Mr. Kurz shared the proposed contract break penalties as recommended by the administration. He shared comparison district information showing that the proposed for this policy are relatively low as compared to many others. A discussion, Mrs. Wade moved and Mrs. King seconded a motion to move this policy forward to the Board of Education. Motion carried.

JFCF – Bullying

Emily Omohundro of EdCounsel shared some background information on the legislation which passed June 3, 2016, requiring consideration of this policy. Since that date, their firm has been working on the implications of the new law. Those include expansion of the definition of bullying and criminal harassment as well as required reporting of potential acts of bullying. There is an effective date of January 1, 2018 for policy and procedure related to the law.

The committee reviewed the proposed language as well as proposed reporting and investigation forms. After many questions relating to process, training, consistency and various definitions, the committee Mrs. Wade moved and Mrs. King seconded that the policy be continued to the Board of Education. Motion carried.

Mrs. King moved that the committee adjourn. Mrs. Wade seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Linda D. Quinley