

Board Committee Report

Governance Committee

Date of Report: April 18, 2022

Written/ Submitted by: Becky Lund (GC Chair)

Date of Last Meeting: April 11, 2022

Date of Next Meeting: May 9, 2022 (beginning at 6:00 pm)

Motion/ Action Items for the Board Meeting:

For the Consent Agenda:

1. First reading of revised policy NP 703 (Fundraising)
2. First reading of revised policy NP 704 (Electronic Fund Transfer)
3. First reading of revised policy NP 706 (Acceptance...of Gifts)
4. Second reading/ potential approval of revised policy NP 205 (Committees)
5. Second reading/ potential of revised policy 533 (Wellness)

Note: The Wellness Policy was also reviewed by Nova's Wellness Committee, which suggested no changes. The Governance Committee suggested a few clarification edits and removing two items that were directed more towards parents instead of the school. The three finance policies were reviewed by Finance & Budget. The Governance Committee also suggested a few edits to conform with current formats used in other policies and the revised Bylaws ("Nova Classical" instead of "Nova" or "the Academy", etc.)

For the Business Section:

1. Second reading of the revised Bylaws
Note: The edits in green are different from the first reading in March. They are based on feedback from the Board and from Beth Topoluk from Friends of Education.

2021-2022 Committee Goals:

Goal	Notes	Due Date/ Complete?
Work with the Executive Director to review and recommend policies that support Nova's mission.	The Governance Committee has reviewed 11 of the 16 policies scheduled for this year.	June 2022

	We will work on the assigned policy, NP 402, in May.	
Provide the 2021 Election Report and conduct the 2022 board election.	<p>The voting period will begin on April 25 and run until 4:00 pm on Monday, May 9.</p> <p>1 teacher seat and 2 parent seats (each for a three-year term) are up for election.</p>	The election is running on schedule
Implement and update the board training process.	There was training in August and September at the board meeting.	Ongoing.
Review and recommend updates to Nova's Bylaws.	<p>The Governance Committee is recommending two main changes to the Bylaws:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add the Executive Director Review Committee as a standing board committee instead of as an ad hoc committee. 2. Change the position from "Chair Elect" to "Vice Chair" and give the position its own responsibilities (like chairing the ED Review Committee). Along with this, the GC will recommend that the "Vice Chair" position not 'naturally' become the Board Chair as this hasn't always happened in Nova's history and it would allow for potential continuity in this position and in the Board Chair position instead of the expectation that both 	<p>The Governance Committee submitted the recommended revised Bylaws to the Board for its first reading in March. There will be a second reading in April. Further edits were made between March and April based on feedback from the Board and from Beth Topoluk. The Bylaws could be approved in April or the Board could take another month for review.</p>

	positions would change every year.	
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