

Harvey School District 152 Policy Committee Meeting

Minutes Tuesday February 5, 2013

Central Office Boardroom

Agenda:

1. **Greetings**
2. **PRESS Issues**
3. **Policy Manuals Update**
4. **Public Act 096-1524**
5. **Good of the Order**

Present: Board Member Betty Johnson (Chairperson), Dr. Sophia Jones-Redmond (Facilitator), Sirlena Thomas and Nicole Wright

1. **Greetings:** Meeting called to order at 10:05am. The agenda was approved with no additions
2. **PRESS Issues:**
There are no new PRESS Issues to review
3. **Policy Manuals Update:**
Policy manuals are being updated, and the process is on-going.
4. **Public Act 096-1524 (Erin's Law passed in Illinois on January 28, 2013):**
Policy committee reviewed Erin's law and the Executive Summary. This new law requires school districts to educate students about sexual abuse. The Erin's Law Task Force recommends the following:
 - Adoption and implementation of a policy addressing sexual abuse of children in pre-K through 5th grade.
 - Prevention education of sexual abuse to be taught in grades pre-K through 5th grade.
 - Train school administrators and certified staff and offer Illinois Administrator Academy and/or CPDU.

The Policy Committee is forwarding recommendations of the Task Force to the Curriculum Committee in the hope that a curriculum will be developed and implemented for the upcoming school year.

The Policy Committee is also awaiting direction from ISBE (PRESS) for development of a policy related to this new law.

5. Good of the Order

Meeting was adjourned at 10:17am. The next Policy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 10:00am.