

**Streator Elementary School District #44**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**June 19, 2018**

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**TO:** Members of the Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Lisa Parker, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** Review of Board Policies 2:105, 2:170, 4:20, 4:80, 4:140, 6:10, 6:30, 6:60, 6:120, 6:130, 6:190, 6:230, 6:240, 6:250, 7:50, 7:340, and 8:25

**INFORMATION:** The following policies are updated through IASB's commitment to continuous improvement. Each piece of the 1000+ page IASB Press PRM is reviewed at least every five years.

**2:105 Ethics and Gift Ban**

The policy is unchanged. A footnote is updated in response to 30 ILCS 708/, the Grant Accountability Transparency Act (GATA) and federal procurement standards. Cross References to 2:100, *Board Member Conflict of Interest*, and 4:60, *Purchases and Contracts*, are added.

**2:170 Procurement of Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Services**

The policy is unchanged. Minor style updates are made to the footnotes. Minor style update(s) are made to the Legal References.

**4:20 Fund Balances**

The policy is unchanged. A footnote is updated to provide further information about possible tax objections based on excess accumulation of district funds.

**4:80, Accounting and Audits**

The policy, footnotes, and Legal References are updated in response to ISBE best practice recommendations concerning the prevention of fraud, waste, and abuse in the administration of grants covered by GATA. A continuous improvement update is also made to a footnote to explain the mechanics of revolving funds.

**4:140 Waiver of Student Fees**

The policy is updated with minor style changes. Footnotes contain minor continuous improvement updates.

### **6:10 Educational Philosophy and Objectives**

The policy is unchanged. Footnotes contain a minor continuous improvement update.

### **6:30 Organization of Instruction**

The policy is unchanged. Footnotes contain a minor continuous improvement update.

### **6:60 Curriculum Content**

The policy, footnotes, and Legal References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-20.7, added by P.A. 100-548, eff. 7-1-18. New policy text provides a broad timeframe for when a unit of cursive writing will be offered to students by mirroring exactly what the Public Act states: "Before the completion of grade 5, students will be offered at least one unit of cursive instruction."

A new footnote is added with an option for boards that want to provide a more specific timeframe about when the district will offer its unit of cursive instruction to students. To align with the IASB *Foundational Principles of Effective Governance*, it encourages boards and superintendents to have a community engagement-related discussion about local community expectations specific to cursive writing instruction before memorializing specific timeframes in policy.

### **6:120 Education of Children with Disabilities**

The policy is updated with minor style changes. Minor continuous improvement updates are made to the footnotes.

### **6:130 Program for the Gifted**

The policy is unchanged. The footnotes and Cross References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/14A, amended by P.A. 100-421.

### **6:190 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities**

The policy is unchanged. Minor continuous improvement updates are made to the footnotes.

### **6:230, Library Media Program**

The policy is updated with a minor style change.

### **6:240 Field Trips**

The policy, footnotes, and Cross References are updated. A reference to 4:140, *Waiver of Student Fees*, is added to the policy text. 4:140, *Waiver of Student Fees*, and 7:10, *Equal Educational Opportunities*, are added to the Cross References. A footnote is updated for continuous improvement.

**6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers**

The policy, footnotes, Legal References, and Cross References are updated. Changes to the text of the policy reflect a long-standing School Code provision that schools may use resources persons and volunteers for crisis intervention services. Statutes are added to the Legal References. 4:175, *Convicted Child Sex Offender; Screening; Notifications*, is added to the Cross References.

**7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools**

The policy, footnotes, Legal References, and Cross References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/14A, amended by P.A. 100-421. ISBE special education rules are added to the Legal References. A Cross Reference to 6:135, *Accelerated Placement Program*, is added.

**7:340 Student Records**

The policy is unchanged. Footnotes are updated in response to a 23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 375, *Student Records*, amendment and contain minor style updates.

**8:25 Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non- School Related Entities**

The policy is unchanged. Footnotes and Cross References are updated. A new footnote discusses the need to contact the board attorney when commercial advertising companies seek to purchase advertising space, as well as the Student Online Personal Protection Act, 105 ILCS 85/, added by P.A. 100-315. Minor style update(s) are made to the Legal References.