

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting “Item for Consideration”

New Business 6b • Date: June 9, 2025

Policy Revision – First Reading – No Action

Category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	<input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Relations	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discussion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Report	<input type="checkbox"/>

Facts of this Matter:

Recent legislative changes associated with SB 255 and HEA 1002 have impacted Board Policy 5517. Changes center upon timelines for reporting allegations to parents of alleged perpetrators and victims, as well as the timeline for reporting the conclusion of an investigation. These changes are outlined in SEA 225. Changes made in HEA 1002 include the repeal of certain training obligations, though these are still considered best practice for schools.

Background:

Mrs. Ioannacci reviewed changes to legislation and consulted with Jessica Billingsley of the boards counsel at Church, Church, Hittle and Antrim. Ms. Billingsley provided additional suggestions which made the language of the policy more concise and included portions of the policy which should be changed due to code which was repealed by HEA 1002.

Objective POSITIVES:

Changes make the language of the policy more concise.

Objective NEGATIVES:

None. Of note, the timeline changes may appear to put pressure on school officials but reflect what has been the typical practice for parent communication within ZCS.

Financial Implications related to this item or approach:

None.

Suggested Wording for a Motion, if any:

No action is requested for this first reading. The Board of School Trustees annually reviews and carefully considers matters related to changes in legislation which impact the corporation. The board's suggestions and revisions will be included in the July meeting for final approval.