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## Memorandum Item 9e

FOR: School Board Members  
FROM: Chris Reitan  
DATE: June 23, 2021  
SUBJECT: BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements

The CCSD Board Policy Committee met on Monday, June 14, 2021 and reviewed Board Policies and Administrative Regulations that the Association of Alaska School Boards is recommending the district update. Also, the CCSD Board Policy Committee reviewed BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements based on a recommendation by CHS principal Kim Brand. The CCSD Board Policy Committee determined to move BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements to the June 23, 2021 CCSD Board meeting as its own agenda item for public comment and Board discussion.

CCSD discovered a disconnect between the Craig High School Student Handbook and CCSD BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements. Page 7 of the Craig High School Student Handbook outlines the high school's general course offerings and stipulates that Physical Science, United States History, and American Government are required courses. The Craig High School Student Handbook has included this language for approximately 8 years. CCSD BP 6146.1 does not require any courses for graduation beyond the .5 AK History credit required under 4 AAC 06.075. Craig High School courses that have been approved for Alaska Performance Scholarship consideration can be accessed at, <https://www.ccsd.k12.ak.us/cms/lib/AK02209184/Centricity/Domain/92/APS%20Eligible%20Courses.pdf>

There is no consistency across Alaskan school districts regarding required courses. Some districts require specific courses to meet district graduation requirements. Other districts only require the state mandated .5 credit of Alaska History.

Options that are available for CCSD Board members consideration:

- Continue with the current CCSD BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements; the Craig High School Student Handbook would need to be updated aligning the handbooks General Course Offerings with BP 6146.1.
- Adjust CCSD BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements to match the CHS General Course Offerings outlined in the CHS Student Handbook.
- Alternatives the Board may find appropriate and acceptable.

Suggested Motion: Move to approve CCSD BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements as presented.

Suggested Amendment for the Board's Consideration:

- Move to adjust CCSD BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements to require 1 credit Physical Science, 1 credit American History, and .5 credit American Government for high school graduation.