



NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NWABSD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Policy Committee Meeting

Conducted via Teams and in the NWABSD Boardroom

Agenda

February 24, 2026

1. Roll Call
2. Items for 2nd Reading (Public Comment has been sought via the [District Website](#))
 - a. **BP 5138 Student Possession and Use of Portable Electronic Devices Including Cellular Phones**
 - i. This policy makes a number of changes to the model cell phone policy, in light of HB 57. It provides districts several options on how to regulate cell phones in schools, and provides clarifying definitions.
 - b. **BP 6151 Class Size ***New Board Policy*****
 - i. This new policy establishes the class size requirement provisions that districts must create under HB 57.
 - ii. The administration is drafting an AR to outline the District's target ratio and procedures for reducing class sizes when possible and appropriate.
3. Items for 1st Reading:
 - a. **BP 5111 Admission**
 - i. This policy update reflects current statutory rules on when a student may begin school, based on their age at admission. It also includes the statutory provision stating that students who are suspended or expelled are not guaranteed admission.
 - b. **BP 10000 Concepts and Roles**
 - i. This is a new policy that establishes the concepts and roles of a charter school within the NWABSD.
 - c. **BP 10010 Establishment of Charter Schools**
 - i. This is a new policy that outlines the process for establishing a charter school.
 - d. **BP 10020 Charter School Application**
 - i. This is a new policy that outlines the application process for establishing a charter school.
 - e. **BP 10021 Charter School Application Appeals**
 - i. This is a new policy that outlines the appeals process for denied charter school application.
 - f. **BP 10040 Academic Policy Committee**
 - i. This is a new policy that outlines the establishment and role of an academic policy committee.
 - g. **BP 10050 Principal/Lead Teacher**
 - i. This is a new policy that outlines the contract and qualifications of a Charter School principal or lead teacher.

Committee Members: Carol Schaeffer, Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus, Marie Greene, Millie Hawley, Erica Nelson
Technology Director: Amy Eakin

MISSION: To provide a learning environment that inspires and challenges students and employees to excel.
VISION: To graduate all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for a successful future.

e. ****NEW 10000 CHARTER SCHOOL SECTION***

i. BP 10030 General Requirements

1. AR 10030.1 Organization of a Charter School
2. AR 10030.2 Operation of a Charter School

7. Questions

a. **BP 5131.6 Alcohol and Other Drugs** – Does the NWABSD receive Public Law 99-570 funds?

- i. Checking

