

The minutes presented within this document are a summary of the discussion that took place at the Policy Committee Meeting. To view the meeting in its entirety please go to: [4/24/24 Policy Meeting Recording](#).



Policy Committee Meeting Minutes April 24, 2024

A meeting of the Bristol Board of Education Regular Policy Committee was held on April 24, 2024, in Room 36 at the BoE and via the Zoom meeting platform.

PRESENT: Committee members: Jill Fitzsimons-Bula, Maria Simmons, and Lorianne Osenkowski.

ALSO PRESENT Commissioners: Kristen Giantonio, Shelby Pons, Jennifer Van Gorder, Dr. Michael Dietter, and Dr. Catherine Carbone.

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Pons the February 28, 2024 minutes were approved. (Commissioner Osenkowski Abstained)

3. Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Osenkowski the March 27, 2024 minutes were approved.

4. Public Comment:

There was no public comment this evening.

5. Policy 4117.6 Exit Interviews:

BPS Exit Survey Form - Dr. Dietter spoke to this and referred to the conversation that was had with Atty. Ritter. Atty. Ritter's feedback was against making any changes to the survey form and the rationale was based on the fact that the person resigning could type anything slanderous and erroneous about anyone. Her concerns are all based on any possible unfiltered feedback. Based on this information given there was no action taken on this item.

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6. Policy 6162.21 Instruction Fees, Fines, and Charges:

Dr. Dieter reviewed all information that was previously presented in the Operations Committee meeting. He discussed band uniforms and cheer uniforms (game day vs. competition team). Cera Galluzzo, Director of Athletics was on Zoom and answered questions that arose from the committee members concerning uniforms. She will collect information from other districts on cheer uniforms and bring back their responses to the committee.

7. Information - CAFE Publication Key Questions on Policy, CAFE Publication Regulation.

No questions on this discussion item.

8. Discussion - Bylaws

Dr. Dieter spoke to this item and stated that we continue to revise bylaws based on legislation. It's an ongoing process that we are constantly looking at and revising - always looking at what is required by law and getting updates from CAFE, and Shipman and Goodman. We have 43 Bylaws and 29 have been revised since 2008. Commissioner Simmons asked for the list of the remaining 14 to review. Also, Commissioner Fitzsimons-Bula asked Dr. Dieter to find out the cost of CAFE and Shipman Goodman doing a policy audit for our district.

9. Update - CT Climate Policy 5131.91

Dr. Dieter stated that there was nothing new to report and would continue to follow up on this policy and report back to the committee.

10. Adjournment:

The Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m. by Commissioner Fitzsimons-Bula.

Submitted by:

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