

**GENEVA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 304
227 NORTH FOURTH STREET, GENEVA, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Board of Education Policy Committee met at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 3, 2013 (postponed from January 27, 2013), at Williamsburg Elementary School, 1812 Williamsburg Avenue, Geneva, Illinois.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Committee Chair Stith.

Committee members present: Leslie Juby, Mike McCormick, Mary Stith. Absent: None.

Administrators present: Craig Collins, Assistant Superintendent Personnel Services; Patty O'Neil, Assistant Superintendent Learning & Teaching; Dr. Kent Mutchler, Superintendent.

Others present: Nancy Smook, Robin Butler, Dave Lamb.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 November 25, 2013

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the minutes were approved as presented.

4. DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE FUTURE CONSIDERATION

4.1 Policy Updates - Craig Collins

4.1.1 1422 **New**, 3122 & 4122 **Revised**, *Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity*

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.1.2 1522, **Delete**, *Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity*

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.1.3 1422.02 **New**, 3122.02 & 4122.02 **Revised**, *Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee*

Motion by Juby, second by McCormick, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.1.4 8462, **Revised**, *Child Abuse and Neglect*

Discussion:

Are there clearly defined options for "mandatory reporter" training that might be provided? (Uncertain at this time. DCFS or "approved provider.") Will the State notify us or will we need to contact them? (We will wait to see and contact them if necessary.) Will training be provided to Board members, too? (Yes.) Is this an on-going responsibility? (Yes.) There was also some discussion of semantics including "all school personnel," maybe adding "including the school board" or all school personnel including those identified in the last paragraph of the policy. (Appropriate edits will be made before bringing this policy to the full Board.) The question is about whether Board members have to take the training. (It's unclear at this time but not stated in the law. Board members are supposed to report suspicions in an open or closed meeting to the Superintendent of Schools.) The full Board

will need to determine what training there would be. (Understand and will identify training options. Will also change the word principal to all school personnel for consistency.)

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.1.5 9130, **Revised**, *Public Complaints and Grievances*

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.2 Policy Updates – Patty O’Neil

4.2.1 2413, **New**, *Health Education*

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.2.2 2414, **New**, *Sex and Family Life Education*

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

4.2.3 5517.03, **New**, *Teen Dating Violence*

Discussion:

The first paragraph outlines intent and any incidents would need to be occurring at school or on school property. When completed, the entire Board should see all of the Administrative Guidelines for these three policies. Isn’t Policy 5517.03 covered in mandatory reporting? (It certainly is part of that but this needs to be a separate policy.) It was suggested that parents must sign-off on class syllabi for courses dealing with this type of content. (Parents do have an “opt out” for content in courses.) If this mandated by law, can they opt out? (We have to provide alternative materials or resources for the student that meet the requirements of the law.) All students should receive this kind of education. Is there a way to ensure that all students receive it even if the parents opt out? (The activities are comparable but we will check into this further.)

Motion by Juby, second by McCormick, and with unanimous consent, the policy was recommended to be moved to the full Board for a first reading.

5. OUTSTANDING POLICY CLEANUP & REVIEW

5.1 Series 5000, Students

5112, *Entrance Age*

Ensure the date is changed for 6 year olds for 2014-2015.

5120, *Assignment within District*

Match to 5517 for consistent language.

5130, *Withdrawal from School*

Update the policy to change the age of students to age 6 through 20 rather than age 7 through 20.

5772, *Weapons*

We are compliant with concealed carry legislation and need to ensure that the policy is consistent with what we do.

The Policy Committee will review the 9000 Series at their next meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:55 p.m., on a motion by McCormick, a second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED

(Date)

COMMITTEE
CHAIRPERSON

(Mary Stith)

RECORDING
SECRETARY

(Dr. Kent Mutchler)