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TO: Members, Board of Education

Dr. Albert Roberts, Superintendent

FROM: Chris Jasculca

RE: First Reading of Policies

DATE: April 12, 2011

The District 97 Policy Committee (Rance Clouser, Jim Gates and Chris Jasculca) vetted several of the policies from Volume 16, Number 1 provided by Neola in November 2010. The committee obtained additional information about these policies from the district's Neola representative, Neola's director of legal research, Superintendent Al Roberts and members of the district's Administrative Leadership team to ensure they are legally compliant and in alignment with the district's role and responsibilities to deliver a high-quality education to the children of Oak Park. The policies were e-mailed to the Board of Education on March 25, 2011. Board members were asked to submit questions, comments and suggested revisions to the committee by April 4, 2011.

Attached are the policies that feature recommended changes from the committee. Revisions to existing district policies, which are printed in a standard District 97 format, are in bold text. Revisions to the new policies from Neola, which are printed on the company's letterhead, are handwritten in accordance with the company's procedures. All of these policies have been made available for review by the general public via the Policies/Publications page (http://www.op97.k12.il.us/boe/policies.html) on the district's Web site.

The policies are being presented to the board tonight for a first reading, with a second reading and approval scheduled for the meeting on April 26, 2011.

Attachments:

- Policy 0167.3 Public Participation at Board Meetings
- Policy 0168.1 Open Meeting
- Policy 1430.01 Family and Medical Leaves of Absence
- Policy 2260 Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
- Policy 2260.01 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability
- Policies 3121 and 4121 Criminal History Check
- Policies 3122 and 4122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
- Policies 3437.01 and 4437.01 Family Military Leave
- Policy 5111.02 Homeless Students
- Policy 5111.04 Educational Opportunity for Military Children