



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: September 28, 2021

TITLE: **Approval of Revisions to the Following Policy Documents:**
Policy BDF (Advisory Committees)
Policy BEDD (Rules of Order)
Policy BEDF (Voting Method)
Policy BEDH (Public Participation at Board Meetings)
Policy DIE (Audits/Financial Monitoring)
Policy DJ (Purchasing [Purchasing Ethics Policy])
Policy EEAEA (Bus Driver Requirements, Training, and Responsibilities)
Policy GCB (Professional Staff Contracts and Compensation)
Policy GCF (Professional Staff Hiring)
Policy GDB (Support Staff Contracts and Compensation)
Policy GDF (Support Staff Hiring)
Policy IC (School Year)
Policy IHA (Basic Instructional Program)
Policy IHAMB (Family Life Education)
Policy IHAMD (Instruction and Training in Suicide Prevention)
Policy IJ (Instructional Resources and Materials)
Policy IJJ (Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption)
Policy JFAA (Admission of Resident Students)
Policy JFAB (Tuition/Admission of Nonresident Students)
Policy JICA (Student Dress)

BACKGROUND:

On September 14, 2021 the Governing Board reviewed proposed revisions to the above-listed Board policies and requested certain proposed revisions presented in ~~red-strikethrough~~ in Policy GCF (Professional Staff Hiring) and GCH (Professional/Support Staff Orientation and Training) be rejected. Specifically, the Board requested that the District’s original policy language in each policy be retained as set forth below:

1. Policy GCF (Professional Staff Hiring)

The Board requested that the District’s original language in the following paragraph be retained so that the entire paragraph reads as follows:

“A. There will be no discrimination in the hiring process due to race, color, religion/religious beliefs, gender, age, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, citizenship status, marital status, political beliefs/affiliation, disability, home language, family social or cultural background, of an otherwise qualified individual.”

2. Policy GCH (Professional/Support Staff Orientation and Training)

The Board requested that the original language of the policy be retained and that the proposed addition presented in in blue also be included.

With the exception of these two changes, no other revisions were directed.

Then, on Monday, September 27, 2021, the Maricopa County Superior Court issued a “Ruling Re: Declaratory Judgment” in the matter of *Arizona School Boards Association, Inc., et. al v. State of Arizona, et. al*, Case No. CV2021012741, which declared §§ 12, 21 and 50 of HB 2878 void and unenforceable. Since the proposed revisions for Policy BIB (Board Member Development Opportunities), Policy GCH (Professional/Support Staff Orientation and Training), Policy IMB (Teaching About Controversial/Sensitive Issues) Policy JFB (Open Enrollment) were all based on changes necessitated by HB 2898, Administration is excluding the proposed revisions for those 4 policies from this agenda item. If a revision is ultimately required for any of those policies, it will be presented to the Board for consideration at a future meeting.

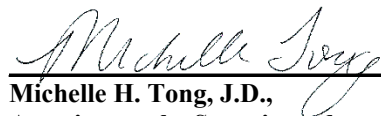
Notably, Policy GCH was one that the Board did request changes to during the September 14, 2021 meeting. Since that policy has been excluded based on the court ruling, the only revision being presented through this agenda item is the retention of the original language in Policy GCF (Professional Staff Hiring) as explained above. With that revision, the proposed revisions to the below policies are now presented for the Board’s approval:

- Policy BDF (Advisory Committees)
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RECOMMENDATION:

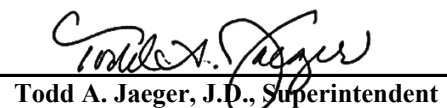
The Administration recommends that the Board approve the attached policy document as presented.

INITIATED BY:



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Date: September 27, 2021


Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent