MINUTES OF THE WBOE POLICY COMMITTEE Tuesday, November 21, 2017 District Office Conference Room Beecher Road School South

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Hamilton called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM.

IN ATTENDANCE: Claire Coleman, Meaghan Genovese, Margaret Hamilton, Nancy Maasbach (5:41 PM), Lynn Piascyk, Board of Education Members; Robert F. Gilbert, Superintendent; Gina Prisco, Principal; Analisa Sherman, Assistant Principal; Larissa Crocco, BRS Staff; and Marsha DeGennaro, Clerk of the Board.

The Committee reviewed Policy 6154 – Homework and made minor language modifications. It was agreed this policy would be forwarded to the Board for 30-day review at their December 18 meeting.

Ms. Maasbach arrived (5:41 PM). It was requested that prior to submission to the Board, policies from surrounding districts be reviewed for comparison purposes.

Policies 5113 Attendance and 5113.2 Truancy were reviewed. Recent legislative changes have impacted prior definitions so both policies in their entirety will replace our current Policy 5113. It was suggested that the specific language under "length of School Day" in our current policy be incorporated into Policy 5113.2.

Administration was asked to verify our current practice for recording student absence and whether there are "anecdotal" issues with students being tardy and/or leaving early, or whether this is a problem that is more widespread, since both cause classroom disruption.

At the January 9, 2018 meeting, the committee will review Policy 5144 - Restraint / Seclusion. February 13, 2018 was also identified as a meeting date. Additional policies slated for review could include Employer Verification, Student Confidentiality, Sexual Abuse / Harassment and Intimidation.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:32 PM