

Present: Mary Storrs, Court Booth, Laurie Hunter
Also Present: Dorothy Presser (MASC)

1. Mary Storrs called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM and noted the meeting is being recorded.
2. No minutes to approve
3. Policies Reviewed:

File: IJNDD – Policy on Social Media – After review the Policy Subcommittee recommended adopting MASC’s policy since it’s broader than our current policy. There were a few minor changes; one being to replace the word “Teachers” with “Employees” under 1a. In 1c on the last sentence take out Access to and replace with administration of. Under 1e replace the word “Teachers” with “School Personnel”. On the last paragraph, first sentence change “will” to “may”. Changes will be made and the Policy will be brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: IMB – Teaching about Controversial Issues/Controversial Speakers – After review the Policy Subcommittee recommended adopting MASC’s policy with a few changes: Under Student-Initiated Forums on Controversial Issues #2 keep only the first sentence, “Adequate advance planning must be conducted for each forum”. Under Requests from Groups or Individuals Outside the Schools, the last paragraph take out the words “one notice of” in the first sentence and replace “The Principal” with “The School” and replace “bulletin board” with “placement” in the last sentence. Cross Reference with KF – Community Use of School Facilities will be added to the Policy. Changes will be made and the Policy will be brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

Conflicts of Interest and Conflicting Personal Relationships – Laurie received this document from M.A.S.S. and would like to include it in our Policy Manual. The Subcommittee decided to put this on HOLD and will work on this while looking at our current Policies GBEA and GBEB.

File: JA – Student Policies Goals - This policy is not needed. It will be taken out of the Policy Manual.

File: JB – Equal Educational Opportunities - After review the Policy Subcommittee recommended adopting MASC’s policy since it was updated recently adding pregnancy or pregnancy related conditions. One change in the third paragraph is to change the word “child” to “person” and indent the whole paragraph. Changes will be made and the Policy will be brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: JC – School Attendance Areas – After review the Policy Subcommittee recommends adopting MASC’s policy with minor changes: Take out paragraph 2 and in paragraph 3, the first sentence, take out “From time to time an overcrowded condition” and replace with “From time to time conditions such as overcrowding”. Changes will be made and brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: JC-E – This policy which is really an Exhibit will be taken out of the Policy Manual.

File: JCA – Assignment of Students to Schools – After review the Policy Subcommittee recommends adopting MASC’s policy with a few changes. In the second paragraph #3 add K5 before the word child and take out #4 altogether. In the last paragraph change “School Committee” to “Superintendent”. Changes will be made and the Policy will be brought to the School Committee for a first reading.

File: JEB – Entrance Age – The Policy Subcommittee reviewed our Policy, MASC’s Policy and the Carlisle Public School’s Policy and recommends adopting Carlisle’s Policy which is called “Kindergarten and Grade 1 Entrance Policy with a few changes. Our Policy will have the date of entrance to kindergarten and first grade as of August 31st. The last paragraph will read “Students who have attended a full day, public kindergarten program may be accepted into grade 1 pending review by the Superintendent”.

File JF – School Admissions – The Policy Subcommittee reviewed this Policy but suggested more work needs to be done so it will be brought back to our next meeting.

4. Public Comments:
None

5 The next three meetings of the Policy Subcommittee will be October 19, November 16, and December 6 all starting at 10:00 AM. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Leona Palmaccio

Approved: 11/27/18