

Winchester Board Education

Type of Meeting: Committee Meetings Curriculum, and Policy (Finance Canceled) MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, April 26, 2022 @ 6:30-8:30 pm

Location: Town Hall – Blue Room

**Curriculum Committee Meeting Facilitator: Nora Mocarski**

Committee Members: Jeannette Brodeur, Renata Waldron, Nora Mocarski, and Sondra Strubhar

Invitees: Doug Pfenninger, Richard Dutton, Salvatore Lovetere, Cheryl McGlynn, Kristin Peterson, and Melony Brady-Shanley

Quorum: 4

- I. Call to Order @6:32pm
- II. Roll Call - Melony Brady-Shanley, Nora Mocarski, Doug Pfenninger, Jeannette Brodeur, Sondra Strubhar, Richard Dutton. Kristen Peterson was absent.
- III. Agenda Review
  - a) Review of Curriculum Committee Agenda – April 26, 2022
- IV. Approval of Minutes
  - a) Minutes of Curriculum Committee Minutes – March 22, 2022
- V. New Business
  - a) Discuss (and prioritize items?) when / how to share with Gilbert:  
Expectations/benchmarks/outcomes. OR is this off the table because Gilbert wished to halt contract discussions in light of Amendment to HB 5466? OR should this Continue because it is good practice?

The following was suggested:

- Have a member attend the Gilbert Corp meeting on May 18.
- Use information to see what we can use for our students.
- Important to communicate to the community what Gilbert is doing for our children.
- We need to define the level of detail of what we want Gilbert to provide to us.
- Attend Gilbert Corp Board meetings at least 3 times a year and for the Gilbert Corp to attend our Board meetings.
- Would like to see students' academic accomplishments, attendance, CIP for the current year, grades, graduation rates, and college admissions (most current information will be available in September).
- Decide on a timeline for receiving information that is requested.
- We want to establish transparency and collaboration.

Seamus Cullinan explained CTAA process.

- b) Examine: <https://edsight.ct.gov/relatedreports/Condition%20of%20Education%202020-21.pdf>
  1. Use as a frame of reference for Gilbert and Winchester?

- c) Discuss possible proposal for May's Curriculum Committee meeting: An Instructional Coach to take us on a "tour" of one curriculum area that is already online and present. Ex. of one unit of study and one unit assessment (Any subject area: ELA, Math, Science)

Melony Brady-Shanley will coordinate the following Instructional Coaches to present at future Board meetings from September-December:

- ELA
- Math
- Science
- SEL

It was mentioned that Social Studies will be incorporated into the 2023-2024 curriculum.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting.

First: Nora Mocarski, Second: Sondra Strubhar, U

Adjourn @ 7:09pm

**Policy & Bylaws Committee Meeting Facilitator: Cheryl McGlynn**

Committee Members: Cheryl McGlynn, Renata Waldron, Richard Dutton, and Salvatore Lovetere

Invitees: Doug Pfenninger, Jeannette Brodeur, Nora Mocarski, Kristin Peterson, Sondra Strubhar, Nancy O'Dea-Wyrick, and Melony Brady-Shanley

Quorum: 3

- I. Call to Order at 7:10 pm
- II. Roll Call Cheryl McGlynn, Renata Waldron, Richard, Dutton, Salvatore Lovetere
- III. Agenda Review
  - a) Review the Policy/Bylaws Committee Agenda – April 26, 2022
- IV. Approval of Minutes
  - a) Minutes of Policy/Bylaws Committee Minutes – March 22, 2022
- V. New Business
  - a) Policy #5113/5113.2 – Attendance - Excuses/Dismissal / Truancy

Update policy with Mental Health Days.

MOTION to move this policy to the next Board meeting for the first read with changes.

First: Cheryl McGlynn, Second: Sondra Strubhar, U

b) Policy # 6159 -Individualized Education Program / Special Education Program

Seamus Cullinan reviewed the current IEP policy and mentioned the new IEP layout and language is changing. He proposed holding off on implementing the policy.

Melony Brady-Shanley suggested that Seamus Cullinan schedule a team meeting to review and go through both policies and compare both.

MOTION to move policy to next Board meeting for the first read.

First: Nora Mocarski, Second: Cheryl McGlynn, U

c) Policy # 6171.2 - Special Education / Pre-School

Removal of tuition

MOTION to move to the next Board meeting for the first read.

First: Jeannette Brodeur, Second: Sondra Strubhar, U

d) Policy #6146.11 – Grade Weighting/Class Ranking

Per Melony Brady-Shanley, this policy is not applicable.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting.

First: Sondra Strubhar, Second: Renata Waldron, U

VI. Adjourn @ 7:42pm