

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES September 28, 2021 – 5:30 p.m. Waupaca High School Community Room and Live Stream

Welcome and Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairperson Patrick Phair at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present in the WHS Community Room: All members of the Committee were present (Chairperson Patrick Phair, Mark Polebitski, and Steve Klismet). Additionally, Board members Stephen Johnson, Dale Feldt, Betty Manion, and Steve Hackett were present.

Also Present:

Present in the WHS Community Room: Ron Saari, Sandy Lucas, Mark Flaten, and members of the community.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Review of Board Meeting Norms:

The Board reviewed their collective commitments.

Policies Regarding Weapons:

New NEOLA Policy 3217 Weapons (Professional Staff) and New NEOLA Policy 4217 Weapons (Support Staff):

NEOLA Policies 3217 and 4217 are identical other than Policy 3217 pertains to professional staff and Policy 4217 pertains to support staff. Committee member Mark Polebitski noted that NEOLA Policy 7217 Weapons is identical to NEOLA Policy 4217 other than it is under the Property section. The Committee asked Mr. Saari to check with NEOLA regarding the purpose for having Policy 7217.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 3217 Weapons and NEOLA Policy 4217 Weapons as presented to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 5772 Dangerous Weapons and/or Look-Alike Weapons (W443.6):

Mr. Saari advised that the Trap and Skeet Club is not affected by this policy as they have very strict protocols in place and keep their weapons at the trap site.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 5772 Dangerous Weapons and/or Look-Alike Weapons as presented, replacing W443.6, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 2510 Adoption of Textbooks (W362):

Director of Teaching and Learning Mark Flaten revised this policy slightly by deleting the last paragraph and replacing it with more accurate wording.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2510 Adoption of Textbooks as amended and presented, replacing W362, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 2521 Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment (W361):

There was discussion regarding the last paragraph under "Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment." Mr. Flaten advised that the cost of materials is not a barrier to a student participating. Mr. Flaten also revised the policy slightly by deleting the third paragraph under "Selection of Instructional Materials."

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2521 Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment as amended and presented, replacing W361, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 143.1 Public Expression of Board Members (W161):

As this policy was previously adopted, the Committee didn't feel there was a need for further review.

Administrative NEOLA Policies:

NEOLA Policy 2623 Student Assessment (W346):

Because the state statutes are more thorough relating to parental opt-out of assessments, Mr. Flaten revised this policy by deleting the last paragraph and replacing it with language referencing the statutes.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2623 Student Assessment as amended and presented, replacing W346, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 2260.02 English Language Proficiency (W346.3):

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2260.02 English Language Proficiency as presented, replacing W346.3, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 2340 District-Sponsored Trips/Field Trips (W352):

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2340 District-Sponsored Trips/Field Trips as presented, replacing W352, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 8120 Volunteers (W353.1):

There was discussion regarding the possibility of allowing parents to transport students due to transportation shortages at times. Board President Stephen Johnson asked Mr. Saari to provide this policy to our insurance carrier for their review and approval.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 8120 Volunteers as presented, replacing W353.1, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

NEOLA Policy 2531.01 Use of Commercially-Produced Videos/Movies (W361.1):

Board member Dale Feldt suggested that it should be a requirement that the principals review this policy every year with staff.

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to move NEOLA Policy 2531.01 Use of Commercially-Produced Videos/Movies as presented, replacing W361.1, to the full Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mark Polebitski and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.