



E-AGENDA MANAGER

Duval County Public Schools

July 28, 2015, Policy Handbook Review Committee Meeting

Ms. Cheryl Grymes, Chairman
Ms. Ashley Smith Juarez, Vice-Chairman
Ms. Becki Couch
Mr. Jason Fischer
Dr. Constance S. Hall
Mr. Scott Shine
Ms. Paula D. Wright
Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING OF THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: Vice-Chairman Ashley Smith Juarez and Board Members Becki Couch and Constance Hall were present. Ms. Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services was also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes: The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

Items To Be Discussed

[CHAPTER 1](#)

Minutes:

Proposed revisions to Board Policies were provided to the Committee. Discussion included the following:

- Policy 1.20 - Goal: Develop Great Educators & Leaders - Change

Common Core Standards to Florida Standards. Ready for Board approval in September.

- Policy 1.30 - Theory Of Action For Change - Discussion included the following:
 - Look at other districts policy.
 - Survey teachers, principals and parents.
 - Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent, Strategic Planning, will develop five questions for a survey. Questions will be sent out to the Board for review.
 - Survey could be sent out in August during teacher planning time.

CHAPTER 2

Minutes:

- Policy 2.26 - Board Meeting Protocol And Format-
 - 1. (a) Definitions - Add "No formal action maybe taken by the School Board during the Agenda Committee Meeting."
 - Strike 14. Board Standing Committees - Strike sections A, B and C. The stricken language will be moved to a new Policy 2.35.
 - The new Policy 2.35 will included information on appointing committees and internal Board subcommittees.
 - This policy is ready for Board approval in September.
- Policy 2.23 -I. Organizations And Officers Of The Board
 - Strike through from "A Chairman and a Vice-Chairman" to the end of the sentence.
 - Add - "The School Board shall conduct its Annual Organizational Meeting in November pursuant to the requirements of section 1001.371, Florida Statutes."
 - Strike through "Chairman position," add "the School Board shall elect a "Chairperson at the end of the next Regular or Special meeting."
 - Add "Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson during the term, the Board shall elect a Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson at its next Regular Board Meeting or Special Meeting pursuant to Board Policy 2.26." This policy is ready for Board approval in September.
- Policy 2.16-2.19 - Aaron Hancock, Intern for Board Member Couch was asked to research other districts to gather information concerning these policies. He will work with Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent, Strategic Planning, and Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services, on changes to this policy.

CHAPTER 7

Minutes:

Sonita Young, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resource Services, discussed Policy 7.90. Discussion included the following:

- Policy 7.90 - Ms.Young discussed adding a designee in the absence of the person listed in the policy who has settlement authority. The current policy gives the Executive Director of Risk Management authority and this position is vacant. The recommendation from Ms.Young designates the Superintendent or his designee and describes who the designee would be by settlement type and if that position is not occupied or available the immediate supervisor or the Superintendent has settlement authority. This item is ready for Board approval in September.
- Ms.Young also discussed raising her signature authority for Labor and Employment which is capped at \$10,000. The Committee was not in favor of the increase.

CHAPTER 8

Minutes:

- Paul Soares, Assistant Superintendent, Operations, discussed adding a policy for plug-in electric vehicles. This policy would allow employees to charge an electric vehicle at work at cost of \$10.00 per month. This item will come back to the committee for review.
- Policy 8.32 I- Add the following language after "shall make provision for and authorize school bus routes" to read" per the budgetary process and as detailed below within this policy and School Board Policy 8.30 - Student Transportation." Ready for Board approval in September.

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

CSM

We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman