



New Hope-Solebury School District Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2016

6:00PM – Upper Elementary School Library

Attendance

- **School Board** – Doug McDonough,(Chair), Mark Cowell, Adrienne Deussing
- **Administration** - Steve Yanni, Suzan Rohn
- **Committee Members** – Drew Giorgi, Melvin Band, Stan Marcus
- **Presenters** - None
- **Public** – None

Dr Yanni called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

The minutes from the June 7, 2016 Policy Committee meeting were approved.

Old Business

The committee moved the following Board Operating Guidelines and Policies forward for board approval at the August 22, 2106 meeting:

- 319 – Outside Activities - Removed language that superintendent has to review articles before staff submit them to publications.
- 626.1 – Travel (Federal Programs) Struck language recommended by the Department of Federal Programs.
- 827 – Conflict of Interest (Federal Programs) Some changes to language were made for clarity and consistency.

New Business

The committee reviewed the following Board Operating Guidelines:

- 003 – Functions
 - The title was changed to Functions of the Board.
 - Added language about administrative regulations. Per PSBA administrative regulations are not needed for every policy. Many policies have guidelines included which articulate how to carry about a policy.
 - Now that the policy manual is online, the document refers to board members accessing policies online rather than getting huge books of policies.
- 007 – Distribution
 - Title was changed to change to Distribution of Policy and Procedures - the new language speaks to policies being made available online.

The committee reviewed the following policies:

- 247 – Hazing
 - The old language was struck and the new language is included (bold and underlined). Recommendation to accept it as is, as this is a hot-button issue and PSBA has worked with various focus groups to develop this policy
- 823 – Naloxone
 - This is a brand new policy and PSBA suggests adopting it as is. We will bring this back next year for another reading if there are changes to the law.

Public Comment – Melvin Band discussed an article on the Sunshine Law and Hazing. He also discussed concerns of teachers expressing their personal political views to students.

Mr. McDonough adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzan Rohn
Director of Human Resources