

WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION
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WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION Thursday, November 19, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m. Policy Subcommittee Meeting Google Meet

MINUTES

Members Present: Kim Walker, Mary Ella Luft, Michele Brigham, Zack Hayden, Mike Esposito

Also Present: Patricia Charles, Interim Superintendent

I. Call to Order: The Policy Subcommittee was called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Kim Walker, Chair.

II. Approval of Minutes:

A. August 6, 2020: MOTION by M. Luft and SECOND by M. Brigham to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2020 Policy Subcommittee meeting. MOTION PASSED. It was noted that Policy 9221 will be brought back for review to the Policy Subcommittee at their next meeting.

III. Review of Policies:

- A. Face Masks/Coverings - 4118.237: Dr. Charles reviewed the mandates requiring a revision of the Face Masks/ Coverings policy. The updates relate to medical contraindications to the wearing of cloth or other loose fitting masks. The Committee approved the changes in the policy as submitted, with the correction of a couple of typos. This policy will be brought before the full board with the revisions.
- B. Policy Regarding Sex Discrimination and Sexual Harassment – Title IX: The Committee reviewed the mandated updates of this policy. It was suggested that Titles, not a specific Administrator’s name, be used to reference contacts such as Title IX Coordinator (the Superintendent). This policy will be designated as Policy 5145.44. This policy will also be presented to the full board at the December meeting for approval of the updates. K. Walker asked for clarification on whether the state statute should be referenced. Dr. Charles will check on that. (Constitution of the State of Connecticut, Article I, Section 20, United States Constitution, Amendment XIV Title IX, May 6 Final Rule 34 C.F.R. 10.45)

K. Walker will send the policy spreadsheet created by Natalia Sieira-Millan, Shipman & Goodwin, to M. Brigham and commented that the Superintendent keeps up to date on legislative changes and brings that information to the Policy Subcommittee.

It was determined the Subcommittee will meet on December 17th at 4:30 p.m. The agenda will include Policy 9122, Policy 5145.2 Suicide Prevention and Intervention, and a discussion with Incoming Superintendent Martineau on how the committee should proceed.

IV. Adjourn: MOTION to adjourn by M. Brigham and SECOND by M. Luft at 5:36 p.m. Vote unanimous.

