

SAU #21 Joint Board Policy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 4:30 PM

Principal's Conference Room - Winnacunnet High School

Public Minutes

Unofficial Until Approved by the Committee

Committee Members: Michael Rabideau; Chair (Seabrook), Jim Kime; Vice-Chair (South Hampton), Pamela Miller (Hampton Falls), Tom von Jess (North Hampton), and Henry Marsh; Winnacunnet.

Administration: Bill Lupini; Superintendent of Schools, Caroline Arakelian; Executive Director of Student Services, Erin Milbury; Seabrook Middle School Principal, Dana Babyak; North Hampton School Teacher and Beth Simon; Hampton Falls Director of School Nutrition.

Chairperson Michael Rabideau called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

Rhonda Evans, Assistant to the Superintendent, distributed a handout that gave an overview of the progress made to date with the review and approval process of the NHSBA Priority/Required by Law policies. Of the 72 total policies, the Committee has previously reviewed 26 policies with 16 more on the current agenda for this meeting along with 3 recommended policies.

Approval of Minutes: Jim Kime moved to approve the minutes as written. Pam Miller seconded. **Motion passed: 4-0-1** (Michael Rabideau abstained).

(Out of Order)

Policies Required by Law:

JLCD Administering Medication to Students

Beth Simon was introduced and provided some background information on the work that was recently done in regards to policy JLCF Wellness. This policy must meet the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services in addition to the New Hampshire Department of Education requirements.

One amendment was recommended on page 2 regarding the SAU website address.

Motion: Pam Miller motioned to move the policy forward with the amendment. Jim Kime seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

Beth Simon excused herself from the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

(Resumed to Agenda Order)

Consent Agenda - Policies Required by Law:

It was noted that each district currently has the following policies adopted individually but were brought forward in order to maintain consistency with the Joint Board approval process of all policies required by law.

DFA Investment

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Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward. Pam Miller seconded.

Motion passed: 5-0.

EB Joint Loss Management Committee

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward with amendments to syntax.

Pam Miller seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

EBBD Indoor Air Quality

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward. Jim Kime seconded.

Motion passed: 5-0.

JICD Student Discipline and Due Process

It was learned that this policy was amended by the NHSBA in July 2019 to include the phrase "...or pursuant to..." in the first sentence.

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward with the amendment. Jim

Kime seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

JLI Joint Loss Management Committee

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward with the same amendments

to syntax as policy EB. Pam Miller seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

Policies Required by Law: The Committee reviewed the following policies classified "Priority" as per NHSBA updates.

ACE Procedural Safeguards: Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap/Disability

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward. Pam Miller seconded. **Motion**

passed: 5-0.

EHAA Computer Security, E-Mail and Internet Communications

Discussion involved around whether the policy applies to Board members or are they considered "employees" for the purpose of the policy. Also references to whether the term "personal disks" should be updated to include flash drives, etc. Policy was tabled.

GBAA Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence – Employees/Staff

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward with amendments. Tom von Jess

seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

GBEF School District Internet Access for Staff

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward. Tom von Jess seconded.

Motion passed: 5-0.

GCG Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment

It was noted that this policy is NHSBA "Recommended" and was brought forward due to recent changes to the rate of pay and requirements for substitute teachers recently approved by the individual school boards.

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward. Jim Kime seconded.

Motion passed: 5-0.

GCO Teacher Performance and Evaluations

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Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward. Pam Miller seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

IHAM Health Education and Exemption from Instruction

This policy was previously tabled awaiting clarification from legal. It was learned that this policy is specific to religious objections or exemptions. Policy IGE addresses parental objections for other reasons and requires any costs for alternate instruction to be borne by the parents. Policy IHAM requires the school district to provide alternate instruction at the district's expense.

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward with the amendment to include "...Due to Religious Reasons" in the title of the policy. Pam Miller seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

IHBAA Evaluation Requirements for Children with Specific Learning Disabilities

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward. Henry Marsh seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

JFABD Education of Homeless Children and Unaccompanied Youth

Caroline Arakelian addressed the committee regarding this policy. This policy is the result of changes to the McKinney-Vento Act.

Motion: Pam Miller motioned to move the policy forward. Jim Kime seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

JLCF Wellness

This policy was reviewed and approved earlier in the meeting.

KED Facilities or Services – Grievance Procedure (Section 504)

Motion: Tom von Jess motioned to move the policy forward with an amendment to add "SAU" to paragraph 4 before "...Section 504 Coordinator". Jim Kime seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

KEE Website Accessibility and Grievance

A brief discussion was held on whether the websites in all SAU 21 School Districts were compliant. It was learned that all websites are in the process of being compliant, if not already compliant.

Motion: Jim Kime motioned to move the policy forward. Tom von Jess seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

The above listed and approved policies will be moved forward to the individual boards during their September meetings for a first read and at the Joint Board October meeting for a final read and approval.

Adjourn: **Motion:** Tom von Jess moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. Henry Marsh seconded. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

Submitted by

Rhonda Evans

Assistant to the Superintendent