CHESHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Held Virtually via YouTube Live Stream

April 7, 2021 – 6:30 PM

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Committee Members Present: Adam Grippo, Chair; Kathryn Hallen; Tim White

Administrators Present: Jeffrey Solan, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER – 6:35 P.M.</u>

Mr. Grippo called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

II. <u>Public Comment via CPSCovid@cheshire.k12.ct.us.</u> None.

III. <u>Review Policies for a First Reading.</u>

6159 Instruction - Individualized Education Program/Special Education Program

Dr. Solan explained, as a result of a State of Connecticut court decision, all students with disabilities who have not yet turned 22 years of age and who have not received a regular high school diploma remain eligible for special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) up until their 22nd birthday. Previously, the exit age of these students was 21. The following language will be added to the policy:

"Students receiving special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) remain eligible for such services up until their 22nd birthday or until they graduate from high school with a regular high school diploma, whichever comes first. The adult student or his/her parent/guardian will be asked by the District if the student wishes to receive the special education and related services outlined in their Individualized Education Program (IEP) until they turn 22 years of age or they graduate with a regular high school diploma, whichever comes first."

MOTION by Ms. Hallen and seconded by Mr. White.

MOVED that Policy #6159 Instruction - Individualized Education Program/Special Education Program be brought to the full Board for a first reading.

VOTE: The Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IV. <u>Review Policies for a Second Reading.</u>

The Committee reviewed the following policies for a second reading. There were no changes since the first reading.

<u>3170 – Business – Budget Implementation</u>

Updated title from Director of Management and Personnel to Chief Operating Officer.

<u>3300 – Business – Expenditures, Expending Authority, Purchasing Guides</u> Updated title from Assistant Superintendent for Management Services to Chief Operating Officer and updated terminology.

<u>3326 – Business – Paying for Goods and Services</u> Updated title from Director of Management and Personnel to Chief Operating Officer.

<u>3516 – Business – Accident Prevention and Reporting</u> Updated titles to reflect current positions.

<u>3541.45 – Business – Student Transportation Insurance</u> Updated title from Director of Management Services to Chief Operating Officer.

MOTION by Mr. Grippo and seconded by Ms. Hallen.

MOVED that Policies 3170 – Business – Budget Implementation; 3300 Business – Expenditures, Expending Authority, Purchasing Guides; 3326.1 – Business – Paying for Goods and Services; and 3541.45 – Business – Student Transportation Insurance be brought to the full Board of Education for a second reading.

VOTE: The Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

V. <u>Other.</u>

Mr. Grippo recalled that last year, the Committee had discussed an audit of the Student Activity Accounts and the corresponding policies. Dr. Solan said he will pull the respective policies and review them with Mr. Masciana, Chief Operating Officer. In regard to the audit, Dr. Solan said the quote for an audit of the accounts came in higher than expected, and then the pandemic hit and things were put on hold. He said he will get additional information and report back to the Committee.

VI. <u>Adjournment.</u>

On a Motion by Ms. Hallen and seconded by Mr. White, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Grippo, Policy Committee Chair

Attest:

Carol Jesensky, Board Clerk

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