

Contra Costa County Board of Education
Policy Committee Meeting
MINUTES
June 29, 2022

MEMBERS

Mike Maxwell, Area 4 Trustee- Committee Chair
Anamarie Avia Farias, Area 3 Trustee- Committee Co-Chair

STAFF PRESENT

Lynn Mackey, Superintendent
Natalia Ciccone, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 The Committee Chairperson will Call the Meeting to Order

Mike Maxwell called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call

All Committee members present.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved as presented.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 General Information

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

3.1 Public Comment

None

4. POLICY COMMITTEE

4.1 Approval of Minutes- April 27, 2022

Committee approved minutes as presented.

4.2 Discussion of Board Policies vs. County Office Policies – DISCUSSION (MACKEY)

CSBA published a list of policies that were designated Board vs. regulation policies. However, CSBA was ambiguous in the designation of many policies listed in the guide sheet. Superintendent Mackey suggested making the delineation that any policy that includes any Board oversight will be a Board policy that will need to be voted on by the Board. Policies that are administrative regulation will be a County Office policy, rather than having duplicate policies. This will avoid confusion about which to follow, especially if there are contradictions.

Committee members agreed it is important to distinguish between County Superintendent and Staffing policies versus Board governance, in addition to following Ed Code to make very clear to the community where there is already confusion about the role of the County Office of Education and what it is chartered to do. This confusion becomes compounded when there is dialogue about issues that fall outside those roles. Anything that brings clarity to the function and roles of the CCCBOE and where it has authority to make decisions is a good thing.

Natalia and Superintendent Mackey will reach back out to CSBA to make sure we have that list. CSBA is thought of as the gold standard for policy work. As we move forward, Superintendent Mackey will present if there are any questions about individual policies to discuss. Trustee Maxwell is pleased with the communication of this committee and is confident in the process moving forward.

4.3 Gamut Guidesheet – June 2022

Preview of policies that will be presented at the next Policy Committee meeting that were listed in the CSBA June Guidesheet.

4.4 5000s- Students Policies (MACKEY)

Superintendent Mackey introduced proposed changes to Board Policies, as recommended by CSBA:

- BP and AR 5142 – Student Safety

Including the new CSBA updates made in 2020 which includes verbiage about ID cards and appropriate training. The language is directly from CSBA except for a deleted line which reads, “Eye safety devices may be sold to students for an amount not to exceed the actual cost to the district. (Education Code 32030, 32031, 32022).” Superintendent Mackey said the County Office would pay for protective eyewear for students. Board members remarked surprise that Ed Code only requires one adult with CPR training and does not require a lifeguard when during swimming pool activities.

Committee will provide final version of policy to the full Board at the next Board Meeting.

4.5 6000s- Instruction Policies

Superintendent Mackey introduced proposed changes to Board Policies, as recommended by CSBA:

- BP 6020 – Parent Involvement

This policy is one of the five compliance policies required by Ed Code. Committee will provide final version of policy to the full Board at the next Board Meeting

- AR 6111 – School Calendar

The only change from CSBA language is removal of, “The County Board of Education or the County Superintendent of Schools may declare a holiday in the schedule or offices operated by the County Superintendent whenever good reason exists.” Declaring a holiday involves negotiations with labor partners. Committee will provide final version of policy to the full Board at the next Board Meeting

- BP and AR 6173 – Education for Homeless Children

There were enough changes to current policies that it was recommended to fully adopt the CSBA language presented. The new regulation was reviewed by staff and is in line with current CCCOE practice. Committee will provide final version of policy to the full Board at the next Board Meeting

Recommending the elimination of these policies as the programs, departments and services are no longer in existence.

- AR 6500 – Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness
 - This policy is updated and moved to SP 3516
- AR 6501 – Distribution and Availability of Emergency Preparedness Plan

Committee will bring these policies to the full Board at the next Board Meeting for elimination

4.6 Future Agenda Item

Policies appearing on CSB June 22, 2022 Guide sheet (BP 0420.41, Exhibit(1) 0420.41, BP 1312.4, AR 1312.4, Exhibit(1) 1312.4, Exhibit(2) 1312.4)

SP 5141.21 Administering Medications and Monitoring Health Conditions (Narcan)

BP 5141.25 Availability of Condom Use

Superintendent Mackey will present outdated policies for consideration to be eliminated.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 3 at 3:30 p.m.

5. ADJOURNMENT

5.1 Adjournment

Committee Chair, Mike Maxwell adjourned the meeting at 4:02 p.m.