

POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2016

Attendance: Diane Lyons, Lisa Rosenthal, Mark Fleischhauer, Joe Phelan

The committee discussed the following:

Homework Policy – 4730

The latest iteration of the revised policy leaves homework to a teacher's professional judgement to assign, consistent with several criteria. The committee felt that the policy is ready for a first reading at an upcoming BOE meeting.

Naxolone Program – 8124

This policy establishes guidelines for the training, procurement, storage, and use of Naxolone (commonly known as NARCAN), which is used when someone has overdosed on an opioid. A draft policy was developed by our high school nurse in cooperation with our school physician. The committee discussed a number of questions regarding the policy and possible revisions. The next step will be to have the policy reviewed by our attorneys.

Transgender issues

The committee had discussed whether a policy on this topic was needed at a previous meeting. Since that meeting, Joe had attended a panel discussion where the attorney on the panel recommended reviewing the DASA section of school policy and updating it to reflect transgender subjects, and NOT having a specific policy.

The committee discussed several topics, including whether there should be a procedure for a transgender student to follow to identify as transgender, and how to train staff members regarding the existing law and any policy or procedure questions.

Joe has begun discussing this topic with the high school and middle school principals.

More work in this area to follow.

Next meeting, May 12

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Fleischhauer