

POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2017

Attendance: Diane Lyons, Lisa Rosenthal, Mark Fleischhauer, Joe Phelan
Invited guest: Steve Boucher

The committee reviewed updates and the rationale for these updates for the following policies:

4526 – Use of computers by staff and students

8526 – Information Security breach and Notification

An update is needed to the above policies due to changing technology and changes in statutory requirements. The committee will review the proposed updated policies and discuss them at our next meeting.

The committee is still awaiting further information on the following policies:

5420 – Student Health Services (School Nurses, School Physician)

5431 – Suicide Prevention (Dir. Of Special Education)

5410 – Wellness (Wellness Committee)

The Committee invited Steve Boucher to the meeting to discuss policy 5280, Interscholastic Athletics, specifically the reference to how coaches evaluate players during tryouts with respect to skills and knowledge of the game, character, coachability, work ethic and commitment. Steve indicated that coaches should have some sort of rubric they are using to evaluate players, which includes these areas, and be prepared to discuss their reasoning for making cuts with a student and or parents when asked to do so. The committee discussed this information and decided no revision to the policy is necessary.

The committee continued a review of the policy book and the following policies:

5460 – Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment (No changes)

5500 – Student Records

Legal counsel is suggesting that we designate, in addition to directory information, a second category for “limited directory information” to be permitted to be distributed to students/parents-guardians/PTAs/educational foundations/alumni association, which would be limited to address, phone number and e-mail. Parents could then be given the right to “opt out” of this type of information sharing.

Next meeting – Review of technology policies

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Fleischhauer