

River Ridge School District
Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2017

The Policy/Curriculum Committee met in the Superintendent's Office/Board Room of the ES/MS/HS located at 11165 County Hwy P, Patch Grove, WI 53817. The following business was conducted:

- I. Call to Order. Kerri Schier called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.
- II. Roll Call. The following board committee members were in attendance: Adam Guthrie, Karla Irish, and Kerri Schier. Also present were: Supt./Elem. Principal Dr. Jeff Athey.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- IV. Statement of Notice. Kerri Schier shared that public notice of this meeting had been given on September 27, 2017 at 2:00 pm.
- V. Appearances. There were none.
- VI. Old Business.
 - a. 412.1 Full Time Student [new to replace current 412] – 2nd reading
No additional changes were made. The Committee recommends that this policy go to the full Board Approve for a second reading.
 - b. 420 School Admissions [revised] – 2nd reading
No additional changes were made. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a second reading.
 - c. 420 Rule Procedure for Placing Transfer Students [new] – 2nd reading
No additional changes were made. The Committee recommends that this rule go forward to the full Board for a second reading.
 - d. 443 Student Conduct [revised] – 2nd reading
No additional changes were made. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a second reading.
 - e. 443 Rule Code of Classroom Conduct [revised] – 2nd reading
No additional changes were made. The Committee recommends that this rule go forward to the full Board for a second reading to replace the existing 443-Rule.
- VII. New Business.
 - a. 431 Student Attendance [revised] – 1st reading
The Committee made no changes to this new policy which will replace the one that is currently in place. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading.
 - b. 431 Rule Student Attendance Procedures [revised] – 1st reading
The Committee made 2 suggestions for improving the first page of this new rule:
 - Under A.1a., make sure it reads “a parent/guardian is expected to call the school’s office’s attendance line prior to 9:00a.m. on the day of each absence.”
 - Under A.1b(2), have it read “...either prior to or immediately following the absence for al school excused absences, but always within two days following the student’s return to school from the absence...”

The Committee recommends that this rule go forward to the full Board for a first reading after the changes have been made.

c. 443.1 Student Dress Code [revised] – 1st reading

The Committee made no changes to this new policy. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading.

d. 443.2 Student Conduct on School Buses [revised] – 1st reading

The Committee liked the new policy as a replacement for the current policy we have. However they would like to see the second paragraph of the new policy revised to reflect that the bus driver will handle all cases of minor conduct (student not facing forward, hands out the window, not throwing away garbage, etc.). They would like to insert the last paragraph of Sample Policy 1 immediately after the preceding sentence, “When a student fail to conduct himself/herself properly on the school bus, such misconduct will be brought to the attention of the building principal...” The intent of the Committee was that the Bus Company and Principal will work together in deciding the appropriate consequence for bus misconduct when it is repetitive or of a serious nature. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading after the changes have been made. 443.5 Student Use of Electronic Communication Devices [to replace current 443.6] – 1st reading

The Committee approves of this policy with point #6 added stating “Student use of cellular telephones in the classroom is based solely on the preference of each individual classroom teacher.” The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading.

e. 443.6 Student Possession/Use of Weapons [to replace current 443.5] – 1st reading

The Committee made no changes to this new policy. The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading.

f. 443.6 Rule Student Weapons Policy Enforcement Procedures [new] – 1st reading

The Committee would like to make one alteration to A3 and add in the fourth line (e.g., bows and arrows, crossbow, knife, sword, spear, etc.), which are examples of “other dangerous weapons.” The Committee recommends that this policy go forward to the full Board for a first reading after the changes have been made.

VIII. Next Meeting. If necessary, the meeting of the Policy/Curriculum Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 5:15pm.

IX. Member Suggestions and Recommendations for Future Items. There were none.

X. Adjournment. Karla Irish moved to adjourn the meeting. Adam Guthrie seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm.