



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Policy Committee Meeting AT Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Bloomfield Board of Education 1133 Blue Hills Avenue Board Room, 1133 Blue Hills Avenue ,  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order  
D. Bolton
2. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of Minutes - Policy Committee - March 26, 2019 2  
D. Bolton
3. New Business
  - A. Policies for an Initial Reading
    1. Age of Attendance - 5112  
B. Silver
    2. Drug and Alcohol Testing - 4212.42  
W. Guzman
4. Adjournment  
D. Bolton



BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS – POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING  
Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.  
Bloomfield Board of Education  
1133 Blue Hills Avenue  
Board Room

**ATTENDANCE:** D. Bolton, Chair Present  
H. Frydman Absent  
R. Ike Present

**ALSO PRESENT:** J. Thompson W. Guzman S. McCann  
B. Silver E. Pierce S. Simpson  
D. Harris M. Walters T. Moore  
P. Davis C. Edwards, Intern

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

D. Bolton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

**2. A. Approval of Minutes –Policy Committee – January 22, 2019**

A motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by D. Bolton for the Policy Committee to approve the minutes from January 22, 2019 regular committee meeting, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

**3.A.1. Policies for a Second Reading**

**3.A.1. Attendance, Excused Absences and Truancy – 5113.2**

Dr. Bethany Silver, Assistant Superintendent of Accountability and Performance, presented a second reading of policy 5113.2 to the Policy Committee.

The amendments to this policy include prevention plans for absenteeism and chronic absenteeism. At the monthly meetings with principals, Dr. Silver discusses absenteeism of specific students and plans to address chronic absenteeism. These meetings fulfill the requirements of the Connecticut State Department of Education.

Section 8 of the policy has been removed, as the Superior Court does not handle truancy at this time. Currently Bloomfield works with the Youth Service Bureau for cases of truancy. There have been no changes to this policy since the first reading.

A motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by D. Bolton to recommend to the full Board of Education, a second reading of policy 5113.2 - Attendance, Excused Absences and Truancy.



The motion passed unanimously.

**3.A. 2. Administering Medication – 5141.21**

Mr. William Guzman presented an amendment to the existing policy 5141.21, Administering Medication. These changes are in compliance with State Statute P.A. 18-185, Life Threatening Food Allergies. This policy was first presented to the Policy Committee on January 22, 2019 and then to the full board for a first reading on February 19, 2019.

Mr. Guzman noted that a prescription from a medical professional is required to permit the self administration of an asthmatic inhaler or EpiPen.

Mr. Guzman also noted that coaches are trained as part of their State of Connecticut coaching certification requirements.

The district has purchased EpiPens and have them available for emergency purposes.

The revised policy also requires school bus drivers to be trained in recognizing and handling life-threatening allergic reactions by June 30, 2019. Mr. Guzman stated the bus companies are prepared to provide this training.

A motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by D. Bolton to recommend to the full Board of Education, a second reading of policy 5141.21 - Administering Medication.

The motion passed unanimously.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:16 p.m., a motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by D. Bolton to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

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D. Bolton, Chair