



Newark Board of Education

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Committee Report

Board Development and Governance Committee

Location	Date	Time
Virtual	9/27/21	5:00 PM
Board Members		
D. Haynes, Board President	F. Johnson-Hill, Board Vice-President	
V. Santana, Board Vice-President	H. Council (left at 6:07 PM)	
	A. Murray-Thomas (arrived 6:10 PM, left 6:50 PM)	
District Liaison & Superintendent Representative		
B. Liss, General Counsel	R. León, Superintendent	
Other District Staff		
H. Nazario, Chief of Staff	V. Wilson, School Business Administrator	
N. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent	A. Zartarian, Deputy General Counsel	
N. Deering, Director of Board Relations	P. Luke, Executive Legal Assistant	
Guests		
Meeting Summary		
<p>The Committee received reports from the Superintendent and discussed the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CUBE Conference Debrief and Policy Considerations - Policy 9250, Expenses and Reimbursements - Policy 1330.2, Use of School Facilities - Naming of Schools and Facilities - COVID -19 Monitoring and Safety Protocols - NJSBA Recommended Policy Adoptions and Amendments - ARP Application <p>Call to Order: 5:03 PM Adjournment: 7:19 PM</p>		

Item: CUBE Conference Debrief - Policy Considerations	
Lead(s): H. Council, D. Haynes, R. León	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

Board President Haynes, Board Member Council, and Superintendent León shared their impressions of the National School Boards Association Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) Conference earlier this month. They agreed, based on their observations and attendance at conference sessions, that our Board and administration work successfully together and are addressing many of the same issues as other

boards, and overall perform very well. The Board members suggested consideration of certain policies of other districts which they had obtained at the conference, including several policies addressing equity issues and one addressing sex trafficking. The principals' equity group, consisting of principals, central office staff, and board members would work to formulate a policy and make recommendations as to its implementation. After discussion, the Committee decided to refer the policy on sex trafficking to the Parent Engagement and Student Life Committee

Item: Policy 9250 - Expenses and Reimbursements	
Lead(s): R. León, V. Wilson	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

SBA Wilson led a discussion of the Board's policy on expenses and reimbursements in response to conference travel costs and expenses. Ms. Wilson discussed the requirements of applicable statutes, regulations, and OMB guidelines.

Item: Policy 1330.2	
Use of School Facilities - Naming of Schools and Facilities	
Lead(s): D. Haynes, H. Council	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

The Committee discussed honoring Tave Padilla and the required process for the Board's consideration of that proposal. Ms. Liss reviewed the relevant sections of Policy 1330.2.

Item: COVID -19 Monitoring and Safety Protocols	
Lead(s): A. Murray-Thomas	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

The Committee discussed COVID-19 monitoring and safety protocols.

Item: NJSBA	
Recommended Policy Adoptions and Amendments	
Lead(s): R. León, B. Liss	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

Ms. Liss reviewed New Jersey School Boards Association recommendations for certain policy adoptions and amendments. Regarding recommended adoptions pertaining to Face Coverings and Vaccination and Testing, President Haynes requested that copies of these NJSBA policies be forwarded to all Board members, and Ms. Liss agreed to do so. Regarding a recommended policy amendment pertaining to Curriculum Adoption which would require district curriculum to address diversity and inclusion, the Committee decided to refer the recommendation to the Program and Instruction Committee for consideration.

Item: ARP Application	
Lead(s): N. Johnson, V. Wilson	Priority/Strategy:

Comments:

Superintendent León updated the Committee on the District's application for federal funding under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act. The application is due to be submitted in November

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.