MSA Governance Committee Minutes

Jan 9, 2023 | 4-6:00 pm | *Meeting called by* Hetal S Patel

Governance Committee Members

Hetal S. Patel, Chair | Dan Ellingson, VC | Jeff Eng, Board Member| Randy Vetsch, MSA ED (ExOfficio) | Kate Hinton, MSA HS Principal (Ex-Officio)| Noah Yehalashet, Student Rep | Leigh Ann Ahmad, Parent Member | Ali Metcalf, Teacher Member

Meeting Minutes

- In attendance at the Meeting were Patel, Vetsch, Hinton, Yehalashet and Metcalf.

The Cmte discussed implementation of the newly released Original Model Charter Policy Series 100 - 900 by the MSBA. With the help of Ms. Tiedeman, the Cmte has prepped and recommends adopting Policy 201 and the entire 100 Series of the newly released Original Charter specific policies from the MSBA. The Cmte will include an explanatory memo regarding the Cmte's recommended policy implementation plans in the Jan Board Packet. Next month, Series 200 and Policy 603 and 616 do need to be addressed asap per Admin recommendation.

The Committee continues to express its commitment to the Students' Policy Agenda and discussed the draft of a Racial Equity and Inclusion Policy. Cmte members spoke with thoughtfulness about acting with equitable intent towards *all* diverse groups as we strive to solidify the Improvement Plan mandates. Towards that effort, a second draft/set of DEI(A) related documents and/or a revision of the drafted REI will be prepared collaboratively by the students with guidance from Ms. Metcalf and Dr. Hinton.

RE Revised Bylaws: The Committee re-evaluated Article IV Sections E thru L; added quorum and annual Organization Meeting provisions to align with Policy 201; and discussed in detail the answers to various questions posed by Members at the Jan Workshop. The Cmte again halted discussions at Article V due to time constraints. The Committee discussed meeting Mondays 4-6:00 pm ~every two weeks through Jan and Feb. A list of dates discussed will be emailed to Members.

A PDF of the draft Bylaws will be circulated to Board Members ASAP.

Prepared by:

Hetal S. Pate, on Jan 11th 2023, revised Jan 18th, 2023