

Governance Meeting Notes

September 30, 2024

Conference Room, Building C

Members present: Kate Hinton (Executive Director), Jules Kinkel (chair), Hetal Patel (parent), Karina Lozana (teacher), Doris Espelien (parent), Pradeep Bhat (parent)

Legislative Policy Review

413: We adopted the MDE version to give more protections and procedures. This was updated in the last round of legislation but MDE hasn't finished their updates so we're waiting for that policy.

Emma's note on page on HRO and with expansion to elementary, keep it as HRO.

*Make sure it aligns with 522

Hold until November.

515: Notes should be kept because they provide clarification about the data that can be made public or is public in nature versus private. Reference to data privacy.

601, 603, 616, 619: Changing the name from WBWF to Comprehensive Achievement and Civic Readiness. We measure students' ability to be lifelong learners. STRIVING. How do we operationalize this? What works? Clearinghouse?

603: What about the Read Act? Subsection 6, right about legal references, (paragraph e about implementation date). This is about ELL students, adopting the policy now, goes into implementation 2025-2026 SY with guidance from MDE. We will probably not get as hands-on treatment because we have a very small ELL population.

609: Working to include native people's cultural beliefs into programming. Why not everyone's cultural beliefs? Native Americans and Indigenous groups endured systematic oppression in attempts to eradicate their culture and existence. Additionally, ***this policy is legislative***. And it's a focus on an excuse from activities for cultural reasons.

616: We looked at this in April 2024, removing it in Part IV, Section E. The evaluation of the Student Progress Committee because of the committee being deleted in IV A 3.

Reading program that the 6th graders do has helped dramatically. Could we have that for math? We're still seeing gaps in foundations as a result of the public/elementary school setting and covid.

619: Changing the legal references.

522: There were a lot of changes to title IX, necessitating a new policy. These are federal law changes. Get the info about contacting Section I, K into the policy. A lot of updates to protections for pregnant and lactating individuals. If you have a pregnant student and they all have to have a physical, they have to get it; you can't have different requirements for them.

Change superintendent to Executive Director on page 31, XII, 2. Do we keep MSBA Model Policy 506 in this space? No, remove it.

Page 21: Timeline for investigating, it's a federal timeline so we're bound by Sanctions/remedies.

Federal explanation as to why this is happening: [MSBA Model Policy Newsletter Title IX and Policy 522.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Regular Policy Review

807: This is not a mandatory policy, but has good provisions for the board regarding their role in students' health and safety. Dr. Morrow has also suggested that we keep this policy because of the provisions regarding the board's role.

203.6, 204, and 205: Reviewed, no suggested revisions.