

REGULAR MEETING – POLICY COMMITTEE

Litchfield Board of Education

Thursday, December 16, 2010, District Office Conference Room, 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education Policy Committee was held on Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

Members Present: Ms. Carr (chair), Ms. Rosser and Mr. Falcetti.

Also Present: Dr. Wheeler, Mr. Shuhi, Mr. Simone and Mr. Katzin (7:01 p.m.)

MOTION made by Ms. Rosser and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 21, 2010.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Communications – none

Public Comment – none

Old Business – none

New Business

- a. Policy # 5131.2 Bullying Behavior in the School – add “The district recognizes its responsibility to educate students regarding appropriate behavior on social networking and chat room sites about cyber bullying. Therefore, students shall be provided instruction about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking sites and in chat rooms and cyber bullying awareness and response. For further information regarding cyber bullying, see Policy #6177” to create new second paragraph.
- b. Policy # 5131.4 Use of the District’s Computer Systems and Internet Safety – add last sentence in second paragraph “Administrators and teachers, with administrative approval, shall be permitted to have filters disabled for research or other lawful educational purpose. If such request is denied, the teacher may appeal the decision to the superintendent.”
- c. Policy # 5114.1 Suspension – page C remove “The use of obscene or profane language or gestures to a member of the school staff,” remove “Participating in walkouts from , or sit ins within, a classroom or school building,” and in 1.G. add “drugs and/or.”
- d. Policy # 6172.6 Virtual/Online Courses – changes previously suggest at previous meeting approved. Sent to BOE for approval.

- e. Policy # 4118.51 Social Networking Websites – will use CABE sample #2, without the optional language offered in paragraph three, and administrative regulation. Send to BOE for approval.
- f. Policy # 6141.326 Online Social Networking – draft policy from CABE. It was decided that there is no reason to adopt this policy, remove from consideration.

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Rosser: to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully Submitted
Donald R. Falcetti
Board of Education