

**Aurora School Ltd.
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2020**

Policy Committee Chair: Keira Hanrahan

Recording Secretary: Susan Mallory

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 4:06pm, and was held virtually in compliance with COVID-19 Pandemic social distancing regulations.

Attendees: Peter Dang, Ian Gray, Jacquie Harman, Keira Hanrahan, Mary Healy, Marla Leganchuk, Susan Mallory, Janet Rockwood, Jacqueline Tomkow

2. AGENDA

The November 4, 2020 Policy Committee Meeting agenda was approved as presented.

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The October 7, 2020 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes were approved as presented.

4. POLICIES UNDER REVIEW

- **BP/AR 6030 – Entrance Age of Kindergarten**

This policy is to be repealed as the information is out of date and requirements can be found in BP6000 – Admittance.

Recommendation: Present to the Board of Directors for second reading to repeal policy at the November 18, 2020 Board Meeting.

- **BP2030 – Communication Plan**

Updates to this policy are a required recommendation in our Charter Evaluation, and needs to expedited. Upon further review of this policy, it became apparent it was a list of communication protocols. The committee re-examined the document through this lens and further updates were made. Suggested renaming policy to Board Communication Protocols.

Recommendation: Present BP2030 for third and final reading at the November 18, 2020 Board Meeting.

- **BP 5120 – Staff Professional Development**

The Board shall notify the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) whenever BP5120 Staff Professional Development is reviewed, as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

The Policy Committee has added a paragraph to BP5120 under guidelines to reflect this. The ATA will receive the earliest possible notice of meeting date Policy 5120 to be reviewed.

Recommendation: Present BP5120 for third and final reading at the November 18, Board Meeting.

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- **BP8050 – School Emergencies**

The committee was asked to consider what is required in this policy and bring their ideas to the next policy meeting in December. Questions to consider:

- are we lacking an emergency policy, facility policy, or inclement weather policy?
- the AR speaks to lockdowns – should we follow this line of thought for the BP?

Recommendation: Tabled to the December 2, 2020 Policy Meeting pending further review and discussion. Research other school board policies.

5. NEXT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

December 2, 2020 (4:00 – 5:00pm)

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Policy Committee meeting ended at 4:59pm on November 4, 2020.