

**SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

MONDAY, May 9, 2022

6:30 p.m.

District Office Conference Room

Zoom Link: <https://spring-ford.zoom.us/j/93876936710>

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford Area School District strives to be educationally relevant, focused on achievement and growth, and have a priority on people so that students are fully prepared to positively contribute to their society.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. and ended at 7:37 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Board Members – Wendy Earle (Chair), Erica Hermans, Clinton Jackson (Virtual), Karen Weingarten, Margaret Wright
- District Representatives – Teresa Carboy, Catie Gardy, Kelly Murray, Bob Rizzo, Lora Sanderson
- Community Members – Will Cromley, Steven Frey (Virtual), Mary Jo McNamara, Stacey Sollazzo (Virtual)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

II. MINUTES – [From April 11, 2022](#)

- April 11, 2022 minutes were accepted

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. [Policy 005.1 – Board Committee Agenda and Minutes](#)

- Committee discussed policy 005.1 and is recommending either retiring the policy or revising it to be much simpler; only indicating what is required by Sunshine Act. It will be pulled from a 2nd reading at the upcoming board meeting and either recommended for retiring or brought back to the June committee meeting for further discussion.

B. [Policy 146.1 – Trauma-Informed Approach](#)

1. Reviewed and recommended by the committee in October 2021.
 2. Ready for a first reading in May with June approval.
- Committee recommended we delay bringing Policy 146.1 forward for a first reading. The policy will be brought back in June for further discussion. The committee desires a more concise version rather than in its current form.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. [Policy 810 – Transportation](#)

i. Policy update and practice

- Committee discussed Policy 810, accepted the suggested additions, and made minor edits. Policy will be sent to the solicitor for final review and barring any substantive changes, will be brought forward for a first reading in June. Committee also supports the Administration's recommendation to establish consistent guidelines for relaxing the transportation exceptions.

B. [Policy 101 – Philosophy of Education](#)

i. Addition of updated mission and vision

- Committee discussed Policy 101 with revisions suggested and agreed that it should be updated when the district's new mission and vision statements are approved. Policy will be brought back to the committee in June.
- C. [Policy 105 – Curriculum Development](#)
- Policy 105 was discussed and the question of how we define “standards” was raised. Committee supported looking more deeply at Policies 105 and 102 to reduce confusion. Policies will come back to the committee in June.
- D. [Policy 120 – Human Development](#)
- Committee reviewed Policy 120 and recommends that it be retired. Policy will be up for retirement at the May board meeting.
- E. [Policy 123 – Interscholastic Athletics](#)
- Policy 123 was not discussed due to time. It will be brought back to the committee in June.
- F. Next steps
 - i. [Remaining Policy List for Review](#)
- A discussion regarding next steps was tabled until June.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. N/A

IX. ACTIONABLE ITEMS

- Policy 005.1 will be removed from the May board agenda as a 2nd reading and may be considered for retiring.
- Policy 810 will be sent to the solicitor and brought forward for a first reading in June barring any substantive changes.
- Policy 120 will be brought forward to be retired at the May board meeting.
- Policies 101, 102, 105, 123, and 146.1 will be brought back to the committee in June for further consideration.

X. NEEDS FOR NEXT MEETING

A. Next Meeting – June 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the D.O. Conference Room

XI. BOARD COMMENT

XII. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

XIII. ADJOURNMENT