

BOARD OF EDUCATION
FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FAIRFIELD, CT

**Standing Committee Meeting
Curriculum, Policy and Special Programs**

Wednesday, November 3, 2010
Education Center
501 Kings Highway East
Superintendent's Conference Room
8:00 a.m.

Minutes

- I. Call to Order- Call to Order at 8:00 by Stacey Zahn. Members present were Stacey Zahn, Paul Fattibene, and Sue Brand. Central Administration present: Superintendent of Schools, David Title, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Gary Rosato and Director of Elementary Education, Anna Cutaia-Leonard. Also in attendance were Board of Education Member, Catherine Albin and Teacher Sheila Ferrara
- II. Approval of Minutes - September 22, 2010 – Minutes were amended regarding Class Size Policy 6310 to reflect that the subcommittee should “provide recommendations” not “provide leadership” as stated in the minutes.
- III. Review of Policy #5119 – Student Discipline Suspension Expulsion - decision to bring this policy forward to the full board on November 9 for a vote leaving both options under Section VIII, B 1+2 Hearing Panel.
Review of Policy #6310 - Class Size Policy – Dr. Title recommended amending the policy removing references to specific numbers for class size. Mrs. Brand also recommended that the word “equitable” be added to the policy when describing good instructional procedures and efficient use of teaching personnel. This policy will be brought to the full board on November 9.
Review of AR 5518 - Re entry policy (procedures) for students at risk – No changes made to this policy and it will be reviewed with Director of Special Education, Andrea Leonardi and brought to the full board on November 9.
By Laws - Revision Dr. Title – Several revisions were recommended by Dr. Title and some of the subcommittee members. These will be brought forward for discussion and vote at the next BOE meeting on November 9.
- IV. Review of CAFE Policy Audit – to be brought to the full board on November 9.
New Policy - Nondiscrimination Policy #0521 - to be brought to the full board on November 9.
New Policy - Drugs, Tobacco, Alcohol #6164.1 - to be brought to the full board on November 9.

V. Curriculum Update - Gifted Programming K-5, 6-8 Anna Cutaia-Leonard and Gary Rosato reviewed a draft proposal for updates and revisions to the programs and services offered to the students identified as gifted and talented. Historical background was provided and recommendations were discussed. A brief discussion with questions followed. It is anticipated that a formal proposal will be brought to the full board at its meeting on January 11, 2011.

VI. Open Discussion – No discussion

VII. Adjournment – Subcommittee adjourned at 9:05a.m.

Items for Future Agenda: