

**RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Board Secretary should receive this report one day after the meeting is held for distribution to the entire Board.

Committee: Policy Chairperson: Ron Conti
6:15 7:20
Start End

Date of Meeting: 11/15/2016 Time:

Board Members in Attendance:	Anne Standridge Jeff Braverman Joe Faranetta And Ron Conti
Administrators in Attendance:	Jenn Fano
Others:	Aggie Gerrety Judy Stewart
Business Discussed and Recommendations:	<p>Policy 2430 (Co-Curricular):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jenn summarized the concern with 2430 for the policy committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Possible conflict with proposed Honors Band curricula. (If by requiring honors band members to join certain co-curricular bands, are we giving credit for a co-curricular activity? If so, we are in violating policy 2430.) ○ Restated the changes that Marc had suggested that we voted not to use. ○ Discussed how classes can have requirements that are outside of the classroom and this is allowed. • Anne asked how long this practice has been going on. Jenn estimates that it was at least 12 years (and probably longer) that the honors music class has had the requirement that they join certain bands. • Joe asked for clarification concerning if co-curricular was defined anywhere else or was it only in 2430. (The only place where it states co-curricular activities cannot be given credit is in 2430) • After discussing if honors band is a requirement or a co-curricular a poll of the committee was taken. It was decided not to change the policy.

Discussed Policy P & R 2340 Field Trips (12/6/16 motion)

- The main issue is that the Policy and the Regulation are inconsistent. (For example, one says that field trips for K-12 require Board approval, the other says K-6 require Superintendent's approval).
- Sometimes field trips cannot be approved before a Board of Education meeting. This needs to be addressed.
- Jeff raised the question about how field trips are paid.
 - He says that the practice is not consistent. For example, sometimes it's the student fund, other time's it's the PTO, etc.
 - Jeff feels it should be funded via the school (and that the process should be stated in a policy).
 - Since this is an issue that deals with money, Jenn feels it may need to be discussed in FFT (as well as policy)
 - After discussion, it was agreed to discuss field trip funding for hardship cases at a future Policy meeting.

Discussed Policy P7510 Use of School Facilities has a minor wording change (title correction to Director of Facilities 11-15-16).

Discussed P2415.30 TITLE I – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (M) (New)

- This is a mandated policy that needs to be adopted by 12/10/2016.
- This policy deals with what happens when a student exists foster care. Can they stay in district?
 - The current recommended change was to say that students will not be able to be in district. This was suggested because it is more consistent with other policies (such as when a resident leaves the district).
 - Jenn stressed the importance of clarity and guidance to make sure that the Board's wishes are executed (and each case doesn't need to wait until a BOE meeting to discuss).
 - Discussion focused on what some alternatives could be:
 - Can they stay in district if they have X number of months in their senior year?
 - If there are unusual circumstances can they stay? (Jenn said that if it was truly unusual circumstances, then it may be brought in-front of the BOE.)
 - Due to time restrictions, the discussion had to be ended and will be addressed at a future meeting.

Anne raised the following question: With our enrollment declining, should teachers and staff be allowed to have their children enroll in the district (at a reduced rate).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be discussed at a future meeting allowed to have their children enroll (at a reduced rate)
Pending Business:	
Recommendations:	<p>Policy 2430: Do not move forward.</p> <p>Policy P & R 2340: put forward for first reading with the following changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOE approves field trips for K-12 • In the regulation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Under Coordination of Trips: first sentence; the text should say "Field trips must be approved by the Board and remove second sentence. ○ Change the bussing start time to 9:00 (to match our current bussing schedule) • In the policy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Under General Requirements (a) remove the words "in advance" in case permission is needed to be given before the next board meeting. ○ Change PTA to PTO <p>Policy 7510: Move forward.</p> <p>P2415.30 TITLE I: Move forward with 'will not' change present, but will discuss (and probably modify) this policy at a future meeting.</p>

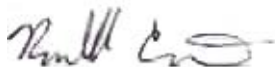
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Next Meeting: TBD

Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

Possible Topics:



Signature of Preparer

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Date