

**WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION
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<p>WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION Thursday, February 17, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m. Policy Subcommittee Meeting BOE Conference Room</p>
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Members Present: Kim Walker, Zachary Hayden, MaryElla Luft, Christine Kuehlewind

Also Present: Superintendent Kristina Martineau

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order: K. Walker, Chair, called the Policy Subcommittee meeting of February 17, 2022 to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. November 18, 2021: MOTION by M. Luft and SECOND by Z. Hayden to approve the minutes of November 18, 2021. Vote unanimous.
- III. Approval of Policy Committee meeting dates: 2022
Feb. 17, 2022; March 24, 2022; April 28, 2022; May 19, 2022; June 2, 2022;
September 22, 2022; October 20, 2022; November 17, 2022

The Policy Subcommittee approved the above meeting dates with the exception of April 28, 2022 and June 2, 2022. The Committee will meet in June if needed. The committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. unless C. Kuehlewind’s schedule allows for an earlier meeting time.

- IV. Old Business – continuation of 000 Series
 - A. Non-Discrimination Policies – Policy 0521 and related non-discrimination policies (student and personnel series) Shipman & Goodwin Non-discrimination Policies: 1000, 4000, 5000 series)

The Policy Subcommittee reviewed Shipman and Goodwin’s Non-Discrimination policy and will recommend replacing current Policy 0521-Nondiscrimination. This policy will be placed in the 1,000, 4000, and 5000 series, with the regulations. The full Board will be asked for a first reading at the March BOE meeting and to rescind Policy 0521. The Second reading will be in April when the Policy subcommittee will recommend to the Board to rescind policy 0521 in the 0000 series by replacing it with the Nondiscrimination Shipman and Goodwin’s recommended policy and placing it in the 1000 (Community), 4000 (employees) and 5000 (students) series.

B. Commitment to Religious Neutrality – Policy 0521.2: **After discussion, the Subcommittee recommended keeping Policy 0521.2 and to label it as “reviewed” by the Policy subcommittee. CABA will be contacted for the proper way to label reviewed policies by the subcommittee.**

V. New Business:

A. Policy 9030 – Democratic Principles: **This policy was reviewed and it was suggested to change paragraph 3 to read Board meetings *are meetings in public* (not public meetings).**

B. Policy 9160 – Student Representatives on the Board of Education: **It was recommended that the BOE begin to follow this policy on Student Representatives on the BOE and go back to having two student representatives; one a junior who will continue as a senior Other changes: Item 3. – change he/she to ‘they wish’. Also revise the font and check the date the bylaw was originally adopted.**

C. Policy 9321 – Time, Place and Notification of Meetings – **Add the word “Town” in the 2nd paragraph prior to “Clerk” and end with a period after by a written notice; deleting “waiver of notice or a telegram to the purpose.**

Add to the next Policy Meeting agenda the following: 9120 Bylaws of the Board, 9327 Meetings, 1120 Public Participation at BOE meetings, and 0521.2 Prayer in the Schools.

VI. Continue with review of 1000 series – Plan to review for future meeting(s): **M. Luft will review Communications with the Public. Z. Hayden will review “Participation by the Public”, K. Walker will review Public Activities Involving Staff, Students and Use of School Facilities; C. Kuehlewind will review Relations Between Government Agencies and Schools and Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property.**

VII. Adjourn: **MOTION by M. Luft and SECOND by C. Kuehlewind to adjourn at 6:27 p.m. Vote unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

C. Kuehlewind, Board Secretary

Cecilia S. Lester, Board Recording Clerk

TBA: at next meeting