Providence School Department

797 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903

Policy Committee Meeting

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Minutes

1.0 Convene Meeting

1.1 Call to Order- Meeting called to order by Travis Escobar at 5:40 PM

In Attendance: Toni Akin, Travis Escobar; Carolina Roberts-Santana absent

James Scott; Carian Diaz; Ty'Relle Stephens; Melissa Hughes; Aubrey Johnson; Andrea Gustafson; Chiara Cooper

Meeting Livestreamed on Youtube.com Providence School Board Policy Committee 12-06-2023

2.0 Approve Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation to approve agenda as presented

Moved Toni Akin, seconded by Travis Escobar, (2-0) Motion Approved

3.0 Consent Agenda

- 3.1 Approval of the Consent Agenda
- 3.2 Approval of Minutes –November 1, 2023

Recommendation to approve consent agenda as presented

Recommendation to approve minutes as presented

Moved Toni Akin, seconded by Travis Escobar, (2-0) Motion Approved

4.0 Policy & Planning

4.1 Racial and Ethnic Equity Policy Update

Carian Diaz presented the updates to the Racial Ethnic Equity Policy, that was passed in June. Chairwomen Roberts-Santana wanted to see the regulations with each policy. Ms. Diaz stated that Equity Office is working with the Advisory Council to assist to developing the regulations. Currently working on draft regulation and Council is currently providing feedback in hopes to have by February 1 Policy Meeting.

No Votes were taken

4.2 Bullying and Harassment Policy Update

Carian Diaz presented the updates to the Bullying and Harassment Policy this policy regulation has already been in effect. These are internal processes that building leaders have access to that have been using and are working well. Handouts were given out questions asked from committee

No votes were taken

4.3 School Board Code of Conduct

Travis Escobar referenced the School Board Code of Conduct. Recommendations were made in regards to consequences for members who don't attend meetings.

Ty'Relle Stephens asked questions and made suggestion(s) for revision(s).

James Scott offered suggestions.

Parent suggestion(s)

Main topic of discussion is School Board Attendance; importance of weekly attendance.

4.4 Review of Summer School Policy

Motion to table the policy until next policy meeting

Moved Toni Akin, seconded by Travis Escobar; (2-0) Motion Approved

5.0 Adjourn

5.1 Adjourn Meeting- Meeting adjourned by Travis Escobar at 6:23PM

Moved Toni Akin, seconded Travis Escobar, (2-0) Motion Approved

Next Finance Committee Meeting December 7, 2023