

COMMITTEE REPORT
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
February 7, 2012 3:00 PM – SBO

In attendance:

Committee Members: Chair: S. Yaremco, L. Collingwood, J. McIntosh

Ex officio Les Kearns

Trustees (non-voting)

Regrets S.Yaremco

Administration: S. Richards, Secretary Treasurer; C. van der Mark, Superintendent; M. McDiarmid, Asst Superintendent;

The meeting convened at 3:00 PM

REPORT:

The committee reviewed and discussed the following policies.

Policy	Description	Type
9.210	Student Suspension	Revision
9.120	Student Involvement with Drugs & Alcohol	Revision
10.110	Facilities Use	Revision
11.310	Travel Expenses	Revision
9.170	International Students	Revision

1. 9.210 & 9.120 - The committee reviewed the purpose and draft revisions proposed for these policies and some further revisions were proposed. Administration will present the revised draft at the next committee meeting.
2. 10.110 - Mr. Richards provided the committee with information relating to the community use of Smithers facilities noting the 'Joint Use' and scope of broader 'community use'. He noted that the policy was being revised cognizant of the different types of users and the agreement in place with the Town of Smithers.
3. 11.310 - Mr. Richards noted that the Board had recently revised this policy and Administration was returning the issue to the committee's attention as a result of the BCSTA's recent increase to the mileage reimbursement rate. The Operations Committee will also review this issue.
4. 9.170 - Mr. van der Mark spoke to the issue of revising this policy based on the broader issue of attracting international students. It was noted that the district had no intention of 'actively' recruiting students or marketing the district to international students but that SD91 was, in fact, doing this and there was an opportunity to enroll 'surplus' students with limited associated cost increases. The committee directed administration to review and revise the policy and explore opportunities associated with international students.
5. Section 3 & 8 - The committee did not have time to review these policies; they will stay in committee.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:25 pm.

Date and time of Next Meeting: February 28, 2012 at 3:00 PM.

Submitted by: J. McIntosh, A/Chairperson, Policy Committee