

SCHOOL DISTRICT 54
(Bulkley Valley)

Report

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 5th, 2013 3:00 PM School Board Office

| Members | Administration |
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| Chair, F. Farrell L. Collingwood L. Kearns (ex officio) | C. van der Mark, Superintendent D. Margerm, Secretary Treasurer M. McDiarmid, Assistant Superintendent C. Whalen, Transportation and Custodial Supervisor |
| Regrets: J. McIntosh | |

The regular meeting convened at 3:00 pm and continued to 4:45 PM.

| Policy | Description | Type | Status |
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| 6.331 | Disaster Recovery | New | In-committee |
| 11.140 | Student Transportation | Revision | In-committee |
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NEW BUSINESS

Student Transportation Policy (11.140)

The Committee was updated by Mr. Margerm that Ms. Whalen and Mr. Margerm will be updating policy with regards to non-employees becoming mini-bus drivers and the orientation and documentation required for this process. The Policy Committee will be updated when this is complete.

Student Choice Policy (9.950)

Mr. Margerm provided information associated with issues and discussion points related to transportation catchment area, extra travel destinations, student changes and accommodations. Discussion points centered around three points:

1. **Busing Services:** i.e. - what services are provided, what services are required, what services are extra and should fees be included, no change in routes provided (accommodations), is policy clear, refer to policy?
2. **Information:** - # of students involved, specific information around routes with issues (Ms. Whalen and Mr. Margerm to provide). Include samples of other district's policy.
3. **Catchment Areas:** - big enough issue, within catchment area or external transfers, in general or just an issue this year, options for catchment issues, fee paying possibilities?

Mr. Kearns notes that decisions based on these issues should be based around Board's 5 Principles. A subcommittee should be created to discuss these issues and provide recommendations to Policy Committee in January. This would include D. Margerm, C. Whalen, Trustees L. Collingwood & F. Farrell and other trustees that would like to join.

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Motion: - to approve the that the Board form a subcommittee to discuss the current issues related to the Student Choice Policy and report recommendations to the Policy committee in January 2014.

C. **Date & Time of Next Meeting:** January 7th , 2014 @ 3:00 pm