

New Milford Board of Education
Policy Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2024
Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center

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Present:	Mrs. Leslie Sarich, Chairperson Mrs. Tammy McInerney Mr. Dean Barile	2024 DEC -5 P 3:28 NEW MILFORD, CT
Absent:	Mr. Randall Scofield	

Also Present:	Dr. Janet Parlato, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Holly Hollander, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
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1.	Call to Order The New Milford Board of Education Policy Sub-Committee was called to order at 6:46 pm by Mrs. Leslie Sarich, Chairperson.	Call to Order
2.	Public Comment None	Public Comment None
3.	<p>Discussion and Possible Action</p> <p>A. Policies Recommended for First Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5000 Non-Discrimination (Students) 2. 5111 Student Attendance, Truancy and Chronic Absenteeism 3. 5131 Student Discipline 4. 5142 Administration of Student Medications in Schools 5. 5145.45 Students and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 6. 5165 Graduation Requirements <p>5000: Mr. Barile asked if the terms on page 10 would be defined: objectionable phrases, demeaning phrases, harassing terms in general. Dr. Parlato stated they are specific to specific to protected class membership. Mrs. McInerney added that it is a commonly considered phrases, such as slurs, that are considered not ok.</p>	<p>Discussion and Possible Action</p> <p>A. Policies Recommended for First Review</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5000 Non-Discrimination (Students) 2. 5111 Student Attendance, Truancy and Chronic Absenteeism 3. 5131 Student Discipline 4. 5142 Administration of Student Medications in Schools 5. 5145.45 Students and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 6. 5165 Graduation Requirements

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	<p>5111: Dr. Parlato stated 17.2 % of kids are chronically absent. This policy is the same as the previous policy but there is a slight change because of legislation.</p> <p>5131: Mrs. Sarich stated she was happy the number of days for suspension for PreK - 2nd grade went down. Dr. Parlato noted it reduces consecutive days from 10 days to 5. Mrs. McInerney asked about limiting out of school suspension from 10 to 5 consecutive days, and permitting them only for behaviour that causes physical harm on school grounds, rather than behavior that was violent or sexual in nature. Dr. Parlato explained that under the umbrella of physical harm, which is broader, violent and sexual nature is limiting. That has been taken out so the policy could be expanded.</p> <p>5142: Mrs. McInerney noted the policy is not not just for nurses, students and faculty should be trained as well. Dr. Parlato agreed. Mrs. Sarich noted that if the situation is life or death, anyone can administer an EpiPen.</p> <p>5145.45: Dr. Parlato stated this policy now defines the appeal process and is aligned with Title IX.</p> <p>5165: Mrs. McInerney stated this is very clear. As a parent, it is clear what the students should be taking based on their post-high school goals. Mrs. McInerney stated a lot of people are confused when it comes to mastery based credits, and figuring out what is the half credit in assured skills and what is a half credit in assured content. Dr. Parlato stated they are working on that being more defined in regulation.</p> <p><i>Mr. Barile moved to bring policies 5000, 5111, 5131, 5142. 5145.45 and 5165 to the full board for first review. Seconded by Mrs. McInerney. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p>	<p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring the following policies to the full board for first review: 5000, 5111, 5131, 5142. 5145.45 and 5165.</p>
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	<p>B. Board Bylaw for First Read 1. 9005 Official Duties—Assistant Secretary</p> <p><i>Mrs. McInerney moved to bring Bylaw 9005 Official Duties - Assistant Secretary. Seconded by Mrs. Sarich. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>C. Policy Recommended for Deletion Upon Approval of Policy 5131 in Item A 1. 5114 Removal/Suspensions/Expulsions</p> <p>Dr. Parlato noted this policy is being deleted and replaced by the Student Discipline policy.</p> <p><i>Mrs. McInerney moved to delete Policy 5114 Removal/Suspensions/Expulsions upon approval of Policy 5131 in item 3.A. Seconded by Mr. Barile. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p>	<p>B. Board Bylaw for First Read 1. 9005 Official Duties—Assistant Secretary</p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring Bylaw 9005 to the full board for first read.</p> <p>C. Policy Recommended for Deletion Upon Approval of Policy 5131 in Item A 1. 5114 Removal/Suspensions/Expulsions</p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to delete Policy 5114 Removal/Suspensions/Expulsions upon approval of Policy 5131 in item 3.A.</p>
	<p>Items of Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5000 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Non-Discrimination (Students) 2. 5111R Administrative Regulations Regarding Student Attendance, Truancy and Chronic Absenteeism 4. 5131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Alternative Educational Opportunities for Expelled Students 5. 5145.45 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Students and Section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 <p>No discussion.</p>	<p>Items of Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 5000 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Non-Discrimination (Students) 2. 5111R Administrative Regulations Regarding Student Attendance, Truancy and Chronic Absenteeism 4. 5131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Alternative Educational Opportunities for Expelled Students 5. 5145.45 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Students and Section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

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4.		Public Comment None	Public Comment
5.		Adjourn <i>Mrs. McInerney moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm, seconded by Mr. Barile and passed unanimously.</i>	Adjourn Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mrs. Leslie Sarich, Chairperson