

**New Milford Board of Education
 Policy Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
 February 4, 2025
 Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center**

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Present:	Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson Mrs. Sarah Herring Mr. Dean Barile Mr. Randall Scofield <i>arrived at 6:31pm</i>
Absent:	

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 6:30 pm by Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson.	Call to Order
2.	Public Comment None	Public Comment None
3.	Discussion and Possible Action A. Policy Revisions Recommended for First Read: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2500 Retention and Disposition of Records and Information 2. 4131 Social Media 4231 3. 5125 Confidentiality and Access to Education Records 4. 5131.9 Student Use of the District's Computer Systems and Internet Safety 5. 5112 Policy and Administrative Regulations Regarding Admission to the Public Schools at or Before Age Five <p>Mrs. McInerney stated all policies have now been reviewed and the Board is now making updates to policies with legislative changes.</p>	3. Discussion and Possible Action A. Policy Revisions Recommended for First Read: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2500 Retention and Disposition of Records and Information 2. 4131 Social Media 4231 3. 5125 Confidentiality and Access to Education Record 4. 5131.9 Student Use of the District's Computer Systems and Internet Safety 5. 5112 Policy and Administrative Regulations Regarding Admission to the Public Schools at or Before Age Five

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		<p>2500: Dr. Parlato stated this policy is about record retention and there is now language for electronic records. A frequently asked question is how long to retain a record for, and there is a system in place that has each record documented with a “good until” date.</p> <p>4131 and 4231: Mrs. McInerney asked why there are two numbers for the Social Media policy. Dr. Parlato stated there is one policy for certified staff and one for non-certified staff. Mrs. McInerney asked if a side-by-side comparison could be done moving forward highlighting edits to policies so it is easier to see the changes being proposed. Dr. Parlato stated she will try to do that. Mr. Barile stated it would be good for teachers to know what the rules are when it comes to posting on social media. Mrs. McInerney agreed and noted there used to be a time when a teacher could not post pictures of students on Facebook, but could on Twitter. It made it confusing. Dr. Parlato stated the policy is clear what someone can and cannot do with their online accounts. Mr. Scofield asked if much had changed. Dr. Parlato stated no. Mr. Scofield noted if not much has changed, teachers may already know the rules.</p> <p>5125: Dr. Parlato stated the Title IX coordinator has access to records to conduct an investigation related to Title IX.</p> <p>5131.9: Dr. Parlato stated some of the language changed. For example, “child pornography” is now “child sexual abuse material.” There were also some technical edits.</p> <p>5112: Dr. Parlato stated the policy addresses the change in statute regarding the enrollment age for kindergarten. It is now enshrined with this policy and regulation. Mrs. Herring asked if</p>	
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	<p>there were inquiries for next year. Ms. Hollander stated they have a handful. Last year, the change happened so quickly, the district was more lenient with the dates.</p> <p><i>Mr. Barile moved to bring policies 2500, 4131, 4231, 5125, 5131.9 and 5112 to the full board for second review. Seconded by Mr. Scofield. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>B. Policies Recommended for Second 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>No discussion.</p> <p><i>Mr. Scofield moved to bring policies 5000, 5111, 5131, 5142, 5145.45 and 5165 to the full board for second review. Seconded by Mrs. Herring. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>C. Items of Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2500 R Administrative Regulations Regarding the Retention and Disposition of Records and Information 2. 4131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Social Media 	<p>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve policies 2500, 4131, 4231, 5125 and 5112 to the full board first review.</p> <p>B. Policies Recommended for Second 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>Motion made and passed unanimously to approve policies 5000, 5111, 5131, 5145.45, 5165 to the full board for second review.</p> <p>C. Items of Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2500 R Administrative Regulations Regarding the Retention and Disposition of Records and Information
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4.		Public Comment None	Public Comment
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5.	Adjourn <i>Mr. Barile moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm, seconded by Mr. Scofield and passed unanimously.</i>	Adjourn Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm.
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Respectfully Submitted,



Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson