



E-AGENDA MANAGER

Duval County Public Schools

October 16, 2014, Policy Handbook Committee Meeting

Ms. Becki Couch, Chairman
Ms. Cheryl Grymes, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jason Fischer
Dr. Constance S. Hall
Ms. Ashley Smith Juarez
Mr. Fred "Fel" Lee
Ms. Paula D. Wright
Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent

ATTENDANCE AT THIS POLICY HANDBOOK REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING: Board Chairman, Becki Couch, and Board Members, Constance S. Hall and Paula D. Wright were present. Board Member Ashley Smith Juarez was not able to attend. Karen Chastain, Chief of Legal Services, were also present.

Call Meeting To Order

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Minutes: The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Items To Be Discussed

[1. CHAPTER 3 - SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION - 3RD REVIEW](#)

Minutes:

Dr. Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Planning, along with staff reviewed section 3, with the Committee. Discussion included the following:

- 3.51 - Karen Chastain is working on this item and will bring back to the Committee.
- 3.60 - Staff decided no changes needed to be made for this section.

2. CHAPTER 5 - STUDENTS - 1ST REVIEW

Minutes:

Dr. Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Planning, along with staff reviewed section 5, with the Committee. Discussion included the following:

- 5.10 - Nan Worsowicz, Supervisor Guidance Services, discussed physical examination changes to align with the state rules. This item is ready for the December meeting. Dana Kriznar, Board Member Paula D. Wright and Board Chairman Becki Couch asked how do we communicate to our schools about health risks. Andrew Post stated information is sent in weekly briefings. Pearl Roziers indicated schools also have a black box with information.
- 5.11 - Dana Kriznar recommended we add "no child without proper documentation be denied entry to school."
- 5.12 - This section is ready for Board approval.
- 5.20 - Board Chairman Becki Couch asked that proof of residence information be added to information given to parents. This section on proof of residence will be changed from one item in column A and two in column B to "two in A or one from A and two from B as proof of residence." Karen Chastian asked why we require a notarized lease as proof of residence. Pear Roziers, stated it does help to have the parent obtain the notarized lease.
- 5.24 - This section is ready for Board approval.
- 5.25 - Dana Kriznar stated that School Advisory Council can make exceptions to the dress code.
- 5.40 - Ready for Board approval.
- 5.46 - Board Chairman Becki Couch discussed the uniform requirements at Eugene Butler and Stilwell Middle along with other magnet schools. Pearl Roziers stated parents must opt in to these programs. School Choice does provide other options for families not interested in the program. Board Chairman Becki Couch asked questions for Board Member Ashley Smith Juarez, who could not attend, concerning Magnet Schools and Choice programs. Pearl Roziers explained that we have programs at every school. Board Member Constance Hall suggested the district visit Nashville schools to look at how they have handle diversity in schools. Board Chairman Becki Couch, for Board Member Ashley S. Juarez, asked why do we not give all employees preference to dedicated magnet schools. Pearl Roziers explained that if the district allowed all employee's to

receive preference we would have no seats at many of our schools for the public. Pearl Roziers, asked that the magnet application choices change from three choices to two. Board Chairman Becki Couch spoke on this item. Consensus was to keep three choices.

- 5.52 - Ready for Board approval.
- 5.64 - Dana Kriznar noted only double underlined words are the changes being made. We will need to check spelling.
- 5.71 - Ready for Board approval.

3. CHAPTER 7 - SCHOOL BUDGET SYSTEM - 5TH REVIEW

Minutes:

Dr. Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Planning, along with staff reviewed section 7, with the Committee. Discussion included the following.

- 7.42 - Dana Kriznar, Assistant Superintendent of Strategic Planning, asked that other Civic Groups be included in fund raising efforts. Karen Chastain suggested a change to allow other groups at the direction of the Principal, Superintendent, or designee. Board Member Constance Hall, asked if principals could make the decision. Karen Chastain requested that the groups be tied to student engagement, 5013c, and other service oriented projects.
- 7.70 - Paul Soares, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, explained the changes to this section. Board Members discussed how conflict of interest should be disclosed. All board members should know what to disclose per the policy. If a Board Member is unsure of what to disclose contact Karen Chastain, Paul Soares or Purchasing. Board Chairman Becki Couch also invited Karen Chastain to attend Ethics training December 3 and 4th.
- 7.71 - No changes were made to this section.
- 7.72 - No changes were made to this section.

Adjournment

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Minutes:

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

BSC

We Agree on this

Superintendent

Chairman