

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
ADMINISTRATIVE MINUTES JUNE 12, 2019

The Board of Education Policy Committee met at 1:00 p.m. on the above date at the school system headquarters, 2644 Riva Road in Annapolis. Board members present were Michelle Corkadel, Chair; Julie Hummer, Josie Urrea and Dana Schallheim. Staff members present were Jeanette Ortiz, Legislative and Policy Counsel; Darren Burns, Board Counsel; Bob Mosier, Chief Communications Officer; Alex Szachnowicz, Chief Operating Officer; Ryan Voegtlin, Director of Student Services; Alice Swift, Director of Safe and Orderly Schools; Asha Smith, Senior Manager, EEO Compliance; Nikki Burns, Legislative and Policy Specialist; and Diane Howell, Administrative Associate to the Board. Also present was Tanisha Howard, Vice Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Ms. Corkadel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. She asked if there were any changes to the May 8, 2019 meeting minutes, of which there were none. The minutes were approved by consensus.

The first item under review was Policy JAA – Redistricting and Attendance Areas. Board members asked several questions about the process and timeline. They also shared feedback for consideration by staff. Ms. Corkadel requested that Mr. Szachnowicz and Ms. Ortiz look into and advise the committee on a few items related to this policy.

The Policy Committee then reviewed Policy JCCA – Bullying, Cyberbullying, Harassment and Intimidation, Hazing, and Bias Behavior. Ms. Ortiz gave an overview of the State laws which impacted the policy as well as the State Model Policy. Ms. Ortiz explained that revisions were made to align with State requirements.

The last policy reviewed was Policy JO – Bias Behavior and Language. Again, Ms. Ortiz gave an overview of the policy and explained the additions that were made based on State laws. Policy JO was developed by incorporating current language about bias in Policy JCCA and also aligning with current State law.

For the Good of the Order: Mrs. Corkadel reminded those in attendance that the Committee would like to review the Policy on Policy. Mrs. Schallheim requested data from AACPS staff members relating to Bullying and Bias Behavior that have been reported during the 2018-2019 school year.

Adjourn: 3:00 p.m.