

**BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**

DATE: August 9, 2023
SUBJECT: Policy Committee

LOCATION: Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria
185 Damascus Road, Branford, CT

ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Marie Watson, Acting Committee Chair	Board of Education
Y	Peter Berdon	Board of Education
N	Cristina Cantu	Board of Education
Y	Meaghan DeLucia	Board of Education
Y	Meredith Gaffney	Board of Education
Y	Ellen Michaels	Board of Education
Y	John Prins	Board of Education
N	Dr. Tim Raynor	Board of Education
Y	Laura Troidle	Board of Education
Y	Dr. Christopher Tranberg, Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Rachel Sexton, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Don Neel, Chief Operating Officer	Central Office

Others present:

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL

- 01** Meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM by Marie Watson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no public comments made at this evening's meeting.

AGENDA CHANGE

- 02** MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to add Policy 5450 Drug and Alcohol Use by Students and Chemical Health for Student Athletes as Discussion/Action Item A.f..

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 03** MOTION (Gaffney/Troidle) to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2023 Policy Committee Meeting.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 04** **5000 Non-Discrimination (Students)**

MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to recommend policy 5000 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- 05** **Policy 5300 Administration of Medication**

MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to recommend policy 5300 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- 06** **5350 Attendance, Truancy, and Chronic Absenteeism**

Rachel Sexton lead a discussion on how excused absences could be documents (scanned instead of hand delivered), following Connecticut State Department of Education guidelines,

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- 07 5400 Food Allergies and/or Glycogen Storage Disease**
MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to recommend policy 5400 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 08 5800 Student Discipline**
MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to recommend policy 5800 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 09 5450 Drug and Alcohol Use by Students and Chemical Health for Student Athletes**
MOTION (Gaffney/Troidle) to recommend policy 5450 to the Full Board for First Reading.
NOT APPROVED – MOTION RETRACTED
- 10 6150 Weighted Grading for Honors Classes**
MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to recommend policy 6150 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

- 11** MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to adjourn.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Marie Watson adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.

The next Policy Committee meeting will be September 13, 2023
at 6:00 PM at Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Gaffney
Secretary

Prepared by,
Kerry Eyrich