

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

DATE: February 14, 2024
SUBJECT: Policy Committee

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

ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Shawn Tiernan, Committee Chair	Board of Education
Y	Peter Berdon	Board of Education
Y	Judith Barron	Board of Education
Y	Meaghan DeLucia	Board of Education
Y	Marie McNamara	Board of Education
Y	Ellen Michaels	Board of Education
N	Ram Shrestha	Board of Education
Y	Laura Troidle	Board of Education
Y	Dr. Christopher Tranberg, Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Allison Moran, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Don Neel, Chief Operating Officer	Central Office

Others present: Brendan Leddy, Director of Facilities and Michael Lopes, Finance Manager

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL

- 01** Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Shawn Tiernan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION ITEMS

David Falcigno, District parent, spoke about the fee assessment proposal, fee rates, custodian fees, tax dollars, youth sports programs and off-season workouts, asked the Board to vote against this policy.

Kim Crawley and Jess Hurney, District parents, the fees that Cheer charges, using Sliney school 5 days a week, enrollment would decline if fees imposed.

Neil Sullivan, District parent, spoke about schools being the center piece of the town, connecting with community, maximizing what we have including space and time, having welcoming staff, wanting kids in school and being active, maximize extracurricular activities, clubs supporting students in schools, school need to be welcoming and supporting and support our family's needs, viewing associated costs

Dave Reddick, Branford resident, spoke about facilities, adding fees, the cost of playing football, the need for sports, helping the kids play sports and being tax payers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 02** MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2024, Policy Committee Meeting.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 03 A. Policy 4200 Reports of Suspected Abuse or Neglect of Children or Reports of Sexual Assault of Students by Employees**
MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to send policy 4200 to the Full Board for a first reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 04 B. Policy 5300 Administration of Student Medications in the School**
MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to send policy 5300 to the Full Board for a first reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 05 C. Policy 5650 Suicide Prevention and Intervention**
MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to send policy 5650 to the Full Board for a first reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 06 D. Policy 1800 Use of Facilities**
MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to recommend policy 1800 to the Full Board for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

- 07** MOTION (Troidle/Shrestha) to adjourn.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Tiernan adjourned the meeting at 7:13 PM.

The next Policy Committee meeting will be March 13, 2024
at 6:00 PM at Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria

Respectfully submitted,
Meaghan DeLucia, Secretary

Prepared by,
Kerry Eyrich