

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Educational Programs/Policy Committee

BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

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- I. Complete the Following Before Starting the Meeting
- A. Date agenda was posted for meeting: March 28, 2024
 - B. Date media was emailed agenda: March 28, 2024
 - C. Board Committee: **Educational Programs/Policy Committee**
 - D. Date and Time of Meeting: **April 3, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**
 - E. Place of Meeting: **The Forum, 2300 Chaney Road**
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Board members present: Nancy Bradley, Dirk Hamel, Katie Jones, Kate Parks, Anderson Sainci and Lisa Wittman.
District representatives present: Amy Hawkins, Jackie Ament, Joe Maloney, and Brenda Duvel

Katie Jones called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Mike Cyze, Chief Communications Officer for the district, updated the committee on community partnerships and the collaborative efforts between the district and local organizations. These partnerships help enhance learning, help with workforce preparation, community engagement and resource sharing. Cyze shared a list of community partners and supporting organizations for elementary and secondary schools. Cyze works with schools to help guide them by discussing best practices, seeking support for their school as well as district supported work. Moving forward the goal is to look for opportunities to broaden and deepen relationships including identifying partners that may not be currently participating in a partnership.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Superintendent Amy Hawkins reviewed policy #5106, Days of Attendance for Graduating Seniors. Hawkins recommended that Board approve the motion to excuse seniors from making up snow days at the regular meeting of the Board on Monday, April 8th.

Superintendent Hawkins shared her thoughts on the Board retreat that was held on March 18th. A workshop follow-up memo was shared with the committee from Tammi Drawbaugh of the Iowa Association of School Boards. Drawbaugh's memo outlined the focus of the meeting which looked at roles and responsibilities of governance and management as well as processes for addressing concerns and complaints. Hawkins had committee members share their thoughts on the workshop and suggest some next steps. These included continuing to have workshops once or twice a year with possible evening sessions, surveying the board on what specific topics they would like to have presented, discussions of advocacy before and during the legislative session, and find times to meet with current and new legislators.

Policy #4611– Communicable Diseases-Employees

Revised – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #5405 – Wellness

Revised – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7103 – Inclement Weather

Revised – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7106 – Discharging Students from School Buses

Reviewed – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7110 – School Bus Service on Dead-end and End-of-District Roads

Revised – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7111 – Permanent or Temporary Student Transportation Services

Reviewed – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7113 – Items on School Buses

Revised – Board 04.08.24.

Policy #7114 – School Bus Travel into Private Subdivisions

Reviewed – Board 04.08.24.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 08, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Board Secretary