

# THOMPSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thompson Public Library Community Center Room 3

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

Policy Sub-Committee Meeting

Special Meeting MINUTES

6:00pm

**Members Present:**  
Linda Jarmolowicz  
Shawn Brissette  
Jody Houghton  
William Witkowski

**Members Absent:**  
none

**Also in attendance:** Michael Jolin, Ian Polun, Laura Prouty, and Jessica Soufer

## I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Shawn Brissette.

## II. Discussion

- A. Lunch Payment Policy** – Discussion was held regarding the negative cafeteria balance and how to collect money from families who have not paid their balances at the end of the school year. Dr. Jolin mentioned contacting a collection agency.
- B. Facilities Use Policy – No discussion.**
- C. High School Dress Code** – Ian Polun gave an updated policy change for the Board to review. The high school policy will need to be updated in alignment with the Board policy, which needs to be reviewed.
- D. Discussion of general policy updates including new legislation requiring policy changes** – The weighted grade policy was mentioned. There will be another policy sub-committee meeting before the regular August meeting to hopefully finish up the discussion.

Jessica Soufer from Shipman & Goodwin handed out a reading regarding statutory changes affecting students. Ms. Soufer also handed out 2016 suggested updates to the Thompson Board of Education Policies.

Suggestions include:

### Section E

EBCB – Review of Crisis Policy and Security and Safety Plan

### Section G

GBCBB – Minor changes regarding Autism Spectrum Disorders

GCBD – Minor updates to Family/Medical Leave

GBEB – Minor changes to clarify an alcohol, drug, and tobacco free workplace

GBLL – Significant revisions to employee background checks

GBCBA – Minor revisions reflecting reporting abuse or neglect of children

GBNN – Revision to employee use of district computer systems

Section I

IGAEE – Significant revisions regarding the marketing of food on campus, oversight of wellness policy and nutrition education

IGBC – Revision to procedure for making alternative assessment decisions to IDEA

IGDJ-B/JFCIA – Minor revisions regarding the use of medical marijuana

IIBBA – Parent and Family Engagement Policy (Title 1) revisions to requirements

IKF – Possible change to policy regarding graduation course requirements

Section J

JFJ – Minor changes to Bullying and Safe School Climate Plan

JG – New legislation regarding student discipline and expulsions

JHFJ – Updates to administrative regulations for homeless students

JICJA – Revisions to the use of private technology devices by students’ policy

JO – Major revisions to how the board enters into contracts with operators of an electronic service, website, or application. Also added was the board must provide notice to parents when a contract experiences a data breach

Section K

KI – Possible section regarding crowdfunding for student activities (Public Solicitation – Fundraising)

New Recommended Policy – Social Media Personnel Policy

Requirements regarding employer access to personal online accounts of employees, including password access.

**III. Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm by Jody Houghton, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz.

Respectfully submitted,  
Danielle M. Pederson  
Recording Secretary to the Board