

Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
Policy Review Committee

Monday, February 22, 2016
5:00 – 6:30 P.M.

Board Room - Administrative Center

REVISED AGENDA

I. Call to order

II. Roll call

Michael O'Brien
Troy Lumpkin
Ricky Burroughs

Scott Calder
Connie Clouten
Colby Freel

Brooke Haley
Maureen Meeks
Randy Pitney

III. Adoption of agenda

IV. Approval of minutes from **January 25, 2016 meetings:**

V. Public Comment

Public comments on items are limited to three minutes per person. People on the sign-up list will be called first. If there is time, people who did not sign up may address the committee. A person testifying must state their name and address for the record.

VI. Old Business

- A. BP Chapter 11
 - i. 1140
 - ii. 1141.1
 - iii. 1141.2
 - iv. 1142

VII. New Business

- A. BP & AR 921.3 Electronic Media Selection

VIII. Comments/Announcements/Other

IX. Adjourn



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Monday, January 25, 2016
5:00 – 6:30 P.M.

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MINUTES

I. Call to order

Dan called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.

II. Roll call

Present: Troy Lumpkin
Maureen Meeks
Randy Pitney
Scott Calder
Connie Clouten
Ricky Burroughs

Absent: Michael O'Brien
Brook Haley

Support Staff Present: Dan Schmidt and Gena Tran

III. Adoption of agenda

Randy Pitney moved to adopt the agenda. Scott Calder seconded the motion.

Agenda adopted with no objections.

IV. Approval of minutes from meetings:

A. October 8, 2015

Scott Calder motioned to adopt the minutes.

Maureen Meeks seconded the motion.

Minutes are adopted with the correction of changing "Haley Brooke" to Brooke Haley under Roll Call.

B. November 23, 2015:

The Committee acknowledges that there was not a quorum; hence, there are no minutes to approve from the meeting as stated in the November 23, 2015 Meeting Notes.



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C. January 4, 2016:

The Committee acknowledges that the meeting was not called to order due to a lack of a quorum as stated in the January 4, 2016 Meeting Notes.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VI. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

VII. New Business

A. New members

Members introduced themselves which Board member they are representing. This was the first PRC meeting for Troy Lumpkin, Student Representative, and Colby Freel, representative for Vice President Lisa Gentry.

B. Policy Flow

Dan Schmidt reviewed the Policy Review Process flowchart. There are two pathways for policies: governance or administrative. The only difference between the pathways is that administrative policies will be reviewed by the district's Management team while governance policies will go to PRC for review.

C. Policy Status

Dan Schmidt provided an overview of the policy review status chart and ongoing chapters that are being updated. The Committee asked about the status of the social media policy that was being reviewed. Dan Schmidt said that the policy is being reviewed and worked on by the district's attorney.

D. Meeting Schedule

Dan Schmidt reviewed the calendar and reiterated that the Committee will meet the fourth Monday of every month.

E. BP Chapter 11

- i. 1140, 1141, 1142, and 1143

The Committee reviewed Board Policy 1140, 1141, 1142, and 1143 and the cross references to Board Policy 121, 272, 272.1, and 274. The Committee



discussed the seeming duplicative language and topic of the two different chapters.

There was also discussion about the definition and need for the term “ad-hoc” when referring to committees. Scott Calder was concerned that the term implies that committees may be established without forethought or structure. Randy Pitney gave examples of when ad-hoc committees would need to be created, such as when subject experts are needed, i.e., school parking lots.

There was also questions on why the Committee is reviewing Chapter 11. In the past, the reason for reviewing a specific policy, such as clerical changes, was explained a policy is presented for review.

Dan Schmidt informed the Committee that the Board is reviewing the 270 board policies.

Scott Calder motioned to postpone Board Policy 1140, 1141, 1142, and 1143 till pending imminent board action on related policies.

Connie Clouten seconded the motion.

5 Ayes: Troy Lumpkin, Maureen Meeks, Connie Clouten, Scott Calder, and Ricky Burroughs

1 Nay: Randy Pitney

VIII. Comments/Announcements/Other

Scott Calder asks that the Board considers reviewing all policies to find duplication and see if policies can be streamlined and more user friendly.

There was also request that PRC be given reasons on why a particular policy is on the agenda to be reviewed in upcoming meetings.

IX. Adjourn

Scott moved to adjourn.

Colby Freel seconded.

Adjourned.



1 1140 Community Involvement in Decision-Making

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3 ~~The Board believes community participation in the affairs of the schools is essential if the~~
4 ~~school system and the community are to maintain mutual confidence and respect and~~
5 ~~work together to improve the quality of education for students. It will therefore, make every~~
6 ~~effort to identify the desires of the community and to be responsive, through its actions, to~~
7 ~~those desires.~~

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9 ~~All citizens will be encouraged to express ideas, concerns, and judgments about the~~
10 ~~schools to the school administration, to the staff, to any appointed advisory bodies, and to~~
11 ~~the Board.~~

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13 ~~Residents who are specifically qualified because of interest, training, or experience will be~~
14 ~~encouraged to assume an active role in school affairs.~~

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16 ~~The Board and the staff will give substantial weight to the advice they receive from~~
17 ~~individuals and community groups interested in the schools, especially those individuals~~
18 ~~and groups the Board has invited to advise it regarding specific problems. Final decisions~~
19 ~~rest on the best judgment of the Board.~~

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21 **The Board believes community participation is essential for the school district**
22 **and the community to maintain mutual confidence and respect while working**
23 **together to improve the quality of education for students.**

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25 **All citizens will be encouraged to express ideas, concerns, and judgments about**
26 **the schools to the school administration, the staff, appointed advisory**
27 **committees, and to the Board.**

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29 **The Board and the staff will give substantial weight to the advice it receives from**
30 **individuals and community groups interested in the schools, especially those**
31 **individuals and groups the Board has invited to advise it regarding specific issues.**
32 **Final decisions rest with the best judgment of the Board.** (this wording matches BP
33 121)

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35 Policy Adopted: February 3, 1981.
36 See Policy #121.

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38 1141 Citizen Participation at Board Meetings

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40 1141.1 Presentation of Agenda Items

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42 ~~Any person wishing to speak on any item on the agenda will be granted~~
43 ~~three minutes to make a presentation to the Board immediately after a~~
44 ~~motion on the item is made.~~

45 **Any person wishing to speak on an agenda item—action items or**
46 **information and reports—will have three minutes to testify when that**
47 **item is before the Board for discussion. There is a limit of one hour**
48 **total testimony per item.** (this wording matches BP 272)

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50 Policy Adopted: February 3, 1981 See Policy #272
51 Policy Revised: January 15, 1991

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53 1141.2 Public Comments

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~~Any citizen, group of citizens, or organization may request that any matter affecting the school system be considered for the agenda by contacting the superintendent as set forth in policy #272.1. The superintendent will notify the person(s) making such a request as to whether the item is on the agenda. Each such agenda item will include the name of its sponsor.~~

~~General comments from the public will be received during the time set aside for public comments as specified in policy 272.~~

Public comments on non-agenda items are limited to three minutes per person for a maximum of one hour. People on the sign-up list will be called first. If there is time, people who did not sign up may address the Board. People testifying must state their name and address for the record. Board members may ask questions for clarification but people testifying should not expect their concerns to be addressed immediately, as additional information may need to be gathered. (this wording matches BP 272)

Any citizen, group of citizens, or organization may request any matter affecting the school district be considered for the agenda by contacting the board president or superintendent as set forth above. The board president or superintendent will notify the person(s) making such a request as to whether the item is on the agenda. (this wording matches BP 272.1)

Policy Adopted: February 3, 1981 See Policy #272 & 272.1
Policy Revised: January 3, 1995

1142 Advisory Committees

The Board may appoint ad hoc advisory committees to counsel it as one means of discerning the needs and desires of the school district and its residents. Members will be broadly representative of the community. The common purpose of all **ad hoc** advisory committees is to contribute to the educational program by conducting studies, identifying problems, and developing recommendations. The ultimate authority to make decisions will continue to reside with the Board.

Such committees will be formed by the Board at such times and for such specific purposes as the Board deems necessary. The Board will, in consultation with the committee, help to define the scope of its task, the deadlines for completing the task, and any other appropriate guidelines for the study. The committee will function until its assigned goal has been accomplished.

The Board may appoint staff members to such committees, but the staff members shall be a minority on any committee. The Board will provide advisory committees with suitable meeting places.

Policy Adopted: February 3, 1981.
See policy #274.

1143 Principal's Advisory Committee

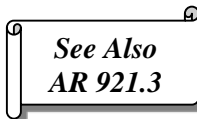
Principals are to organize and involve a principal's advisory committee in planning. The committee shall include, but not be limited to, parents and teachers.

Policy Adopted: March 3, 1981

1 **BP 921.3 Electronic Media Selection**

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3 Off air recorded television and radio programs, DVDs, video tapes, or other digital
4 media may be utilized in the classroom provided their contents or uses are
5 educational rather than promotional, do not violate copyright laws (see
6 Administrative Regulation 924), and are appropriate to the grade level of the
7 student.

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9 Policy Adopted: July 6, 1982
10 Policy Revised: April 9, 1985
11 Policy Revised: February 5, 1991
12 Policy Revised: July 2, 1996
13 Policy Revised: August 3, 2010
14 Policy Renumbered September 21, 2010 (renumbered from 971.3)



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16 **AR 921.3 Electronic Media Selection**

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18 This regulation establishes standard procedures governing the selection and
19 classroom use of video materials (off-air recorded television, video programs,
20 video tapes and movies) in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District.

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22 Definition

23 Video materials include any videotapes/movies not provided by the Fairbanks
24 North Star Borough School District which are selected by instructors for use in the
25 classroom.

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27 Procedures

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29 A. Instructors may select and use videotapes/movies in the classroom within the
30 limits set forth below.
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32 B. Instructors will thoroughly preview videotapes/movies before using them in the
33 classroom.
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35 C. Copyright laws and guidelines for printed materials, off-air recordings (both
36 television and radio), and rental materials will be followed.

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38 D. Commercial Film Rating Guide Restrictions (Grades K-8)

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40 1. "X" rated video tapes/movies will never be shown.
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42 3. "PG" or "PG-13" rated video tapes/movies may be shown if
43 parental/guardian permission is obtained before the "PG" or "PG-13"
44 rated videotapes/movies are presented to students. Students will be
excused from these presentations if requested by parent/guardian.
Another optional assignment will be made available.

45 *Note: The "PG-13" rating began in 1984. Movies before 1984 were*
46 *rated "PG."*

- 47 4. Unrated materials will be approved by the building principal before
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50 E. Commercial Film Rating Guide Restrictions (Grades 9-12)

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1. "X" rated video tapes/movies will never be shown.
2. "NC-17" or "R" rated videotapes/movies will not be used without written approval of the building principal. (See attached Videotapes/Movies Request Form.)
3. Parental/guardian permission will be obtained before "NC-17" or "R" rated materials are presented to students. Students will be excused from these presentations if requested by parent/guardian. Another optional assignment will be made available.
4. Unrated videotapes/movies will be approved by the building principal before presentation to students.

F. *Videotapes/Movies Request Form*: the attached Videotapes/ Movies Request Form will be used to record reviews and approvals required by this regulation.

Approved: July 5, 1996
Revised: August 3, 2010 (renamed)
Renumbered: September 21, 2010 (renumbered from 971.3)