

Slate Valley Modified Unified Union School District
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
Fair Haven Grade School
October 23, 2017
5:15 PM

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order: The second meeting of the Policy Committee for the Slate Valley Modified Unified Union School District was called to order on October 23, 2017 at 5:17 PM at the Fair Haven Grade School.
The people in attendance were Superintendent Brooke Olsen Farrell, Linda Peltier, Bonnie Lenihan, and committee members Mike Bache, Mike Fallis, Toni Lobdell, Shannon Baldwin, and Liz MacKay
2. Agenda: Mike Bache moved to accept the agenda and it was seconded by Mike Fallis. The motion passed.
3. Minutes: Mike Bache moved to accept the minutes of the September 25, 2017 meeting, seconded by Mike Fallis. The motion passed.
4. Public Comment : None
5. Review of Policies:
The committee reviewed the five recommended policies (A20, A21, A22, A23, and A24) from the VSBA organization of policies.
A20: The group decided not to include policy A20 because the items in this policy are covered in our bylaws. There was one part about executive session that will be added to our bylaws in order to include all the items.
A21: It was agreed to include Policy A21 with some revisions. The revisions are as follows: 1. Add *from all communities within the district* to the end of the policy statement. 2. Add *using civil language* to the Implementation section. 3. Move #3 from Public Input to the end of the implementation section. 4. Add *at the start of the meeting* to the end of #2 of Public Input.
A22: Policy A22 would be used as it is written by the VSBA.
A23: The group decided not to include recommended Policy A23 at this time, though it may be revisited.
A24: The final recommended policy that was discussed was Policy A24. It was agreed to include it with the following revisions: 1. Strike out the following in the fourth paragraph *and central office staff, so long as such communication is clearly not giving direction or suggesting a course of action that staff perceives as direction*. 2. Remove the last paragraph entirely.
Transfer Policy: Brooke passed out a suggested policy that will pertain to school choice within the district. The committee recommended changing the following: 1. Change *three* to four under definition of Transfer. 2. Add that the first request will begin in 2019. 3. In #9 change the word *different* to chosen and change *new location through the remainder of the particular school year*, to chosen school until the end of the school year. 4. Add a sentence that states that students will participate in activities/sports only at their chosen school, not at their home school.
6. Other - Brooke recommended that all committee members read and review the recommended policies from Personnel (Policies B20, B21, and B22) and two of the recommended policies from Students (Policies C20 and C21) before the next meeting.
7. Adjourn - Mike Bache moved to adjourn at 6:18 PM. Seconded by Shannon Baldwin. The motion passed.

The next meeting will be on November 27 at 5:15 at the Castleton Village School.

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Mackay