New Britain Board of Education | Policy Committee Regular Meeting

December 11, 2023 – 6:00 PM I New Britain Educational Administration Center

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1. Call to Order and Opening

Vice President and Policy Chair, Ms. Barbara Marino called the meeting to order at 6:41 PM

Board Members Present

Salvador Escobales*, Anthony Kane*, Joseph Listro, Barbara Marino*, Diana Reyes*, and Tina Santana*
*Committee member #Attended remotely

CSDNB Staff Present

Ms. Aja Edwards, Dr. Anthony Gasper, Ms. Maryellen Manning, Dr. Silvia Mayo-Molina, Mr. Jeff Prokop#, Dr. Nicole Sanders, Mr. Paul Salina, Ms. Lillie Stuart, and Ms. Ivelise Velasquez

2. New Business

A. Review and approve minutes from Policy Committee meeting on September 18, 2023 Submitted by Ms. Aja Edwards

Mr. Kane motioned to approve minutes from Policy Committee meeting on September 18, 2023, seconded by Ms. Santana. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Board policy revision - 4114/4124 Job Accommodations and Accommodation Transfers Submitted by Dr. Nicole Sanders

Dr. Sanders expressed that the changes made to policy 4114/4112, are in alignment with federal law. This policy ensures that staff district wide are given the appropriate accommodations.

Ms. Marino motioned to add this item to the consent agenda, seconded by Ms. Reyes. Motion carried.

C. Review recommended policy for adoption - 5111.00 Admission and Placement of Students Submitted by Ms. Kristie Bourdoulous

A CSDNB Entrance Age Advisory Team, comprised of teachers (preschool and kindergarten), instructional coaches, administrators from preschool sites, the school readiness liaison, the special educator supervisor and members of the academic office convened over three sessions to: review legislation, collect/analyze student data, and revise the policy and administrative regulations.

The current policy states that children need to be five on or before January 1 of the school year, and the amended policy has been updated to reflect children need to be five before September 1.

Ms. Marino motioned to add this item to the consent agenda, seconded by Ms. Santana. Motion carried.

D. Review recommended policy for adoption - 5111.10 HALS Enrollment Policy Submitted by Ms. Ivelise Velasquez

Ms. Ivelise Velasquez presented the proposed adoption of a new policy for enrollment into the House of Arts and Letters (HALs), as a policy doesn't currently exist. During the presentation she discussed the demographics of incoming 5^{TH} grade students in the district and how the enrollment policy will assist with adjusting racial balance within the school.

Ms. Marino motioned to add this item to the consent agenda, seconded by Ms. Reyes. Motion carried.

3. Closing and Adjournment

- A. Other Business as Permitted by Law
- B. Adjournment