

Portland Board of Education.
Policy Subcommittee.
June 12, 2024
Via Google Meet

Attending: Charles Britton, Dawn Davis, Laurel Steinhauser, and Meg Scata
Excused absence: Tim Lavoie
Meeting convened at 1:12 PM

The following policies were discussed with no actions taken at this time. More information is required. July meeting is cancelled, and we will reconvene in August.

a. **MLL CAFE Model Policy.**

Sarah will get Title IX training this summer and bring that training to us with any recommendations for policy changes. We will also keep an eye out for changes suggested in a future CAFE update. Reviewed the Model policy.

b. **School Climate Policy P5131.914**

The leadership team will review school climate policy this summer with the goal of ripping and replacing our current policy with the CAFE model policy. The goal is to get the model policy to the BOE for a first read in September.

c. **Suicide Prevention Policy 5141.5**

Dawn will check with mental health team about the suicide assessment we use and determine if it is "State Approved." If it is, we will rip and replace our current suicide policy with the CAFE model policy and bring it to the BOE for a first read in September.

d. **Cell Phone Policy P5131.81**

Was not on the agenda but we should discuss and take some action. If we don't have a policy in place as there is still much information coming to us, we can defer implementation until January. We will all read CAFE model policy P5131.81 Electronic Devices (see attached) and consider which alternate language we like.

We would like to add "cell phones/electronic devices" to the search and seizure policy 5145 to make clear that cell phones may be searched by administrators if there is reasonable suspicion that a violation of BOE policy or law has occurred.

e. **Search and Seizure Policy P5145.** Possible addition of cell phones or "Smart devices".

f. Review any Policy Highlight or Updates for August Meeting

August 14, 2024 is out next meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 2:22pm

Submitted by,
Meg Scata
Board of Education Secretary