ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting July 28, 2020

The Arlington School Board Policy Subcommittee convened on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at 12:05 PM. The meeting was held by electronic communications due to the Covid-19 Pandemic emergency, using Microsoft Teams.

Present were:

Tannia Talento, Member Reid Goldstein, Member

Also present were:

Matt Smith, Special Projects Coordinator

The subcommittee reviewed the information and action schedule for upcoming policies, including the new School Start Times policy and the revised Communications policy. Also briefly discussed were the process for bringing policies forward, posting meeting materials on BoardDocs, and saving policy working documents at a specific location for Board reference.

Mr. Smith then explained the new kinship care forms created to accompany the recently revised Admissions policy. He explained how staff will provide support to families who need to file the forms, and the group discussed how to ensure that families can find assistance as needed.

The group then discussed finalizing the 2020-21 Policy Review schedule and calendar, which will be presented to the Board at an upcoming work session. The group discussed possible changes to the schedule and Mr. Smith confirmed he is working with staff to see if any additional policies can be added to this schedule. Also discussed was revision of policy K-2.3 Interviewing Students and Mr. Smith agreed to check on the status of that policy. The group then briefly discussed the plan to share the proposed policy review schedule with the public on August 10.

The group then discussed initial feedback from Board members on policies F-1 Financial Management – Capital Improvement Plan and F-5.7 Construction and Maintenance, as well as the associated policy implementation procedures.

The Subcommittee then discussed next steps for the new Equity policy, including how to manage stakeholder feedback received after the policy is presented to the Board for information. The group also considered the subcommittee's role in the equity assessment, outlined in the new Equity policy, of policies under revision.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.	
ATTEST:	
Melanie Elliott, Clerk	Monique O'Grady, Chair
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