

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting
March 22, 2021

Item C-1-g

The Arlington School Board Policy Subcommittee convened on Monday, March 22, 2021, at 2:07 PM. The meeting was held by electronic communications due to the Covid-19 Pandemic emergency, using Microsoft Teams.

Present were:

Cristina Diaz-Torres, Member
Reid Goldstein, Member (arr. 2:35 PM)

Also present were:

Matt Smith, Special Projects Coordinator
Brian Stockton, Chief of Staff

Prior the meeting, Policy Review Team member Brianna Cobbins, Director, Employee Relations, Human Resources, joined the meeting to be introduced and describe his role with APS.

Ms. Diaz-Torres called the meeting to order at 2:07 PM and announced that Mr. Goldstein would be arriving late due to a work commitment.

Mr. Smith shared the schedule of policies coming forward for Board action soon. The group also briefly discussed information related to Policy G-3.9 – Staffing Requirements, which was reviewed at the March 8 subcommittee meeting.

Board members shared feedback on Policy I-10.31 Counseling Crisis Management, and the associated policy implementation procedure (PIP), concerning identifying topics that should be held as confidential. For Policy J-13 Physical Interventions for Students in Crisis, Ms. Diaz-Torres provided several suggestions to revise and clarify the language in the policy and PIP. Also suggested was creating a master list of the review schedule for policies that do not follow the normal timeline for the Board's reference.

The subcommittee then provided some feedback on policies that are at the beginning of the policy review process. These included Policies I- 7.2.3.34 Communication - Student Progress, Program, and Grading; 7.2.5.30 Prevention, Intervention, and Remediation; I-11.2 Homework; M- 3 Financial Management – Financing Construction and Site Acquisition; and M- 4 Financial Management - Capital Improvement Plan Financial Management. Suggestions were provided to share with the Policy Review Team for consideration as these policies go through the review process. As this conversation lasted longer than anticipated, the group decided to schedule an additional meeting at 9:30 AM on Friday, March 26 to continue this discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 3:13 PM.

ATTEST:

Melanie Elliott, Clerk
Arlington School Board

Monique O'Grady, Chair
Arlington School Board