

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting
March 26, 2021

Item C-1-j

The Arlington School Board Policy Subcommittee convened on Friday, March 26, 2021, at 9:40 AM. 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. 10:05 AM)

Also present were:

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

Ms. Diaz-Torres called the meeting to order at 9:40 AM and announced that Mr. Goldstein would be arriving late due to a work commitment.

The subcommittee continued their discussion on policies that are at the beginning of the policy review process. The group briefly reviewed the discussion of Policies I- 7.2.3.34 Communication - Student Progress, Program, and Grading and 7.2.5.30 Prevention, Intervention, and Remediation that was held at the last meeting. The subcommittee then continued the discussion and feedback on Policy I- 11.2 Homework and Policy Implementation Procedure (PIP). Feedback focused on grading, summer work, scheduling assignments, and providing differentiation.

Board members did not provide any feedback on Policy M- 3 Financial Management – Financing Construction and Site Acquisition. Mr. Stockton confirmed that this policy will be reviewed by the Superintendent. The group then discussed Policy M- 4 Financial Management - Capital Improvement Plan Financial Management. Suggestions were made to include language to strengthen controls on the financial management of CIP projects. The group also briefly discussed the role of the Building Level Planning Committee as it relates to this policy. All feedback provided will be shared with the Policy Review Team.

The group then discussed the status of Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with nonprofit groups on use of APS space, as well as how these agreements should be managed by the division. Staff agreed to continue to work on how to manage MOUs and will bring additional information back to the subcommittee.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

ATTEST:

Melanie Elliott, Clerk
Arlington School Board

Monique O’Grady, Chair
Arlington School Board