

**ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
School Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting  
May 3, 2021

**Item C-1-j**

The Arlington School Board Policy Subcommittee convened on Monday, May 3, 2021, at 2:06 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

**Also present were:**

Matt Smith, Special Projects Coordinator  
Brian Stockton, Chief of Staff (arr. 2:50 PM)

Mr. Goldstein called the meeting to order at 2:06 PM.

Ms. Diaz-Torres asked whether the Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth and Families should be included in School Board policy and the group agreed to add this as a discussion to a future agenda.

The group then discussed Policies I-1.5 Resources, I-7.2.5.31 Support, Resources, and Extended Time, and I-9.1 Selection of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials, which are being presented for information on May 6. It was noted that the policy I-7.2.5.31 is not needed, as the content is redundant with another policy. This change will be recommended to staff prior to the May 6 Board meeting. After briefly discussing additional aspects of these policies, the group provided feedback on proposed changes to policies I-7.4.1.31 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities and I-7.4.1.33 Addition of New Sports Teams.

The Subcommittee then provided feedback on and suggested clarifying edits to the following policies:

- J-6.3.6 Prohibited Substance Abuse
- J-6.7 Search and Seizure
- K-7.3 No Smoking Policy
- M-1 Reporting Serious Incidents
- J-5.4 Leaving School Grounds-Release of Students

The group then briefly reviewed the schedule for upcoming policies for review.

As not all agenda topics were covered in this meeting, the subcommittee scheduled a second session for May 5 at 1:30 PM to continue reviewing the items on this meeting agenda, including Policy J-7.4 Discipline.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM.

**ATTEST:**

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Melanie Elliott, Clerk  
Arlington School Board

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Monique O'Grady, Chair  
Arlington School Board