



**Policy Committee
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Haldimand Room**

Present: Dennis Blake (Chair), Cliff Casey, Dan Dignard, Cathy Horgan, Bonnie McKinnon, Rick Petrella, June Szeman

Absent:

1. Call to Order

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Dennis Blake.

2. Routine Matters

2.1 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Policy Committee approves the agenda for the April 20, 2011 meeting.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Interest: Nil

2.3 Approval of Minutes from the Policy Committee Meeting of October 13, 2010

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Policy Committee approves the minutes from the March 30, 2010 meeting.

Carried

2.4 Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

3. Presentations and Delegations: Nil

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Inclement Weather / Staff Snow Days / Zones

Discussion regarding inclement weather, transportation zones and staff snow days took place and it was agreed to leave the status quo.



4.2 Reporting of Trustee Expenses

It was suggested that a copy of the guidelines regarding Trustee expenses be posted in the Trustee conference in First Class. Administration will bring forward a format and suggestion for reporting trustee expenses.

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Hiring – Academic Staff 300.10 (revised)

Associate Director Easton reviewed revisions made to the Hiring policy for Academic Staff that reflect the changes made to the Education Act resulting from Bill 177. Discussion took place. It was requested that trustees continue to be part of the interview committee for principals and vice-principals and that information about the appointment of Principals/Vice-Principals and Managers be provided to trustees in a timely manner.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Committee of the Whole refers the Hiring – Academic Staff Policy 300.10 (revised) to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried

5.2 Hiring – Support Staff 300.11 (revised)

Associate Director Easton reviewed changes to the Hiring policy for Support Staff resulting from amendments to the Education Act as a result of Bill 177. Following discussion, suggestions for minor changes were made.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Committee of the Whole refers the Hiring – Support Staff Policy 300.11(revised) to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried

5.3 Pupil Accommodation Review 400.16 (revised)

Assistant Superintendent Tom Grice presented the revised Pupil Accommodation Review policy to reflect the changes made to the Ministry's Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline (PARG). Two significant differences are the use of terminology referring to the Terms of Reference, which frame the parameters of the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) discussion, and the School Information Profile, which will help the ARC understand how well the school under review meets the objectives and the reference criteria outlined in the Terms of Reference. Discussion ensued and it was requested that the policy return to the next Policy Committee meeting reflecting the input and suggestions that were provided.



6. Information

6.1 2010-11 Policy Review Schedule

The revised Policy Review Schedule was provided for review.

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Policy Committee adjourns the meeting of April 20, 2011

Carried