AGENDA

Tape recordings shall be made of each meeting of the board as an administrative aid and shall be preserved as public documents of the Board.

This meeting is a meeting of the Elida Board of Education Policy Committee in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Christoff       P__         Mrs. Ulrich P__

Additional committee members Mr. Cox and Mr. Parker were in attendance.

Mrs. Stocker was in attendance of this public meeting.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

V. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

____JC____ moved and ___CU_____ seconded that the Agenda for the January 23, 2015, meeting of the Elida Board of Education Policy Committee be adopted.

1. Discussion of NEOLA recommended policy revisions

Policies:

8400 School Safety

NEOLA Associate, Mr. Kevin Brinkman, provided an e-mail summary of necessary changes to the policy for the Committee to consider:

The Superintendent is charged with the development and adoption of the EMP, rather than assigning “adoption” to the Board;
An Emergency Management Plan (EMP) is required for each building, rather than just a District EMP:

The Superintendent is responsible for filing copies of each EMP with the identified agencies within ten (10) days of adoption rather than within thirty (30) days.

The Superintendent is to inform students and parents of the procedures to be used to notify of an emergency or serious threat prior to the opening day of school (as in current policy) rather than prior to July 1st of every year.

The Committee recommends accepting the proposed NEOLA changes for this policy.

2. Discussion of bylaws and policies subject to revision

Bylaws:

0151 Organizational Meeting

0152 Officers

After much discussion regarding President Pro-Tem language within the Bylaws, the Committee directed Mr. Christoff to follow-up with NEOLA Associate, Mr. Kevin Brinkman, for additional assistance and clarification. Additional discussions may resume during the spring NEOLA update Policy Committee meeting.

Policies:

7434 Use of Tobacco on School Premises

Shelly Miller, Health Educator, Allen County Health Department (ACHD), submitted a model policy for 100% Tobacco Free School Campuses for Board consideration. After reviewing the existing policy and the ACHD proposed model policy, the Committee was comfortable with the current policy at this time.

5610 Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students
5611 Due Process Rights

Upon review of the policies and associated administrative guidelines regarding suspensions and expulsion, further discussion of appeal procedures is warranted during the spring NEOLA update. The Committee directed Mr. Christoff to follow-up with NEOLA Associate, Mr. Kevin Brinkman, for additional assistance and clarification on procedural aspects of the appeal process.

The Board may wish to designate an individual, such as the Allen County Educational Service Center Superintendent, to adjudicate suspension or expulsion Board appeals, as the Board’s designee, on a case-by-case basis.
3. Discussion of policies for future consideration

a. Naming Rights

see NEOLA 7250 Commemoration of School Facilities (from St Marys)

The Committee reviewed the NEOLA policies currently in use at St Marys (Ohio) and Tipp City (Ohio), as well as policies from Palm Beach County (Florida), and Pattonville (Missouri). The Committee directed Mr. Christoff to follow-up with NEOLA Associate, Mr. Kevin Brinkman, for additional assistance and clarification about adapting a current NEOLA policy template for customization. Additional Board discussion will be necessary at a future Board meeting or work session prior to the spring NEOLA policy update.

The Committee strongly recommends that the Board continue moving forward with the request to recognize Mr. Gene Wollenhaupt in a timely manner while continuing to work on policy development for this issue. Policy development and approval should not delay Board action on the Wollenhaupt request.

b. Retire/Rehire of Administrators and/or other Non-Teaching Staff.

see NEOLA 1544 Employment of Retired Administrators, 3144 Employment of Retired Teachers, 4144 Employment of Retired Classified Employees, and 3120.11 Rehiring Retired Employees of the District (Tipp City)

The Committee discussed NEOLA template policies regarding retire/rehire of administrators and other non-teaching staff, as well as a NEOLA policy in use at Tipp City (Ohio). The Committee encourages the Board to consider adopting such a policy and directed Mr. Christoff to follow-up with NEOLA Associate, Mr. Kevin Brinkman, for additional assistance and clarification about adapting a current NEOLA policy template for customization.

4. Superintendent discussion of forms subject to revision

5630.01 Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports and Limited Use of Restraint and Seclusion and Form 5630.01

Mr. Cox distributed a draft restraint/seclusion reporting form that is under consideration for use throughout the District. Administrative Guidelines and Forms are the purview of the Superintendent and must be consistent with Board policies. This new form would document and inform the Superintendent whenever restraint/seclusion is utilized.
VI. ADJOURNMENT

____CU____ moved and ____JC_____ seconded that the January 23, 2015 meeting of the Elida Board of Education Policy Committee be adjourned at __3:27__ P.M.