

## District Discipline/Behavior Interventions Committee

Meeting Minutes: January 17, 2012

Old Quarry Conference Room

### Members Present:

Susan Wulczyn	Dave Molitor
Maggi Burkhardt	Kristin Hilburger
Cathy Cortez	Debra Lynch
Shirley Kleehammer	Joanne Policht
Cathy Slee	Sue Gray
Sue Scott	Tracy Simon
Deb Zaremski	Laura Reigle

The meeting began at 6:05 p.m.

#### A. Introductions

Members of the committee introduced themselves and explained their position or role on the committee (i.e., teacher, staff, parent)

#### B. Review of Committee's Charge

Susan Wulczyn opened the meeting and reviewed the committee's charge noting that the committee was a combined Board Committee whose primary purposes were to focus on student discipline as well as behavior interventions for general and special education students.

#### C. General Discussion of Red Book/Student Handbook

- a. Debby Lynch began the Red Book/Student Handbook discussion by asking the committee to review the district's current Bullying Policy. Discussions led to a comparison between policies 7:180 and 7:20, and the team concurred that the current policies did not require revision at this time.
- b. Red Book Signature Page
  - 1. Suggestion was brought up to separate one of the parent signature sections at the end of the Red Book. The suggestion was made to separate the section *Use of Student Images and Work: Board Policy 7:340* into two separate parent approvals thus separating parent permission for identifying students' pictures and work as two separate issues.
  - 2. The signature page can be found on page 22 in the Student Handbook.
- c. Concern was also brought up regarding consequences for children using the Internet/Authorization for Electronic Network Use
  - 1. Discussion ensued regarding the terms "legally binding" as written in the Red Book
  - 2. It was decided that this terminology was vital to the intent of the document.
- d. Medication in the schools
  - 1. Committee believed the wording was clear.
  - 2. No revisions necessary.
- e. Levels of Discipline
  - 1. The committee reviewed the levels of discipline as outlined on page 11 in the handbook. Committee member asked what constituted a Saturday detention as it wasn't listed in the handbook.
  - 2. Committee discussed how discipline levels in general were listed in the Red Book.
  - 3. Since Saturday detentions are only assigned at Old Quarry Middle School, their handbook/assignment

notebook outlines the specifics regarding what constitutes a Saturday detention.

f. Acceptable Use Policy

1. Committee reviewed the current policy. Discussion continued as to how current the safety programs/filters are in our buildings to keep children safe from the dangers of the internet.
2. Suggestion was made to consider adding more information to the Red Book about the safety features and filters that are currently in place.

g. Electronic Devices

1. Discussion focused on the increased use of electronic reading devices. The topic will be an on-going one and fully addressed next year. Concerns about 3G capabilities and ways to manage such devices must also be addressed.
2. Liability for student iPads and other electronic devices brought into the schools was discussed. It was decided that page 47 in the handbook addresses lost or stolen articles sufficiently.

h. No other topics or concerns were brought up by the committee.

- D. Kristin Hilburger and Maggi Burkhart informed the committee about students with Individual Education Plans and discipline. They discussed student suspensions, 10-day rule, Manifestation Determination, FBA's, and efforts on the schools' part to be proactive and preventative when dealing with student behavior. They also shared how school programs support special education students in the general education environment so that students can be successful in their learning environment. Susan Wulczyn then referred to the Questions and Answers packet that had been sent to the committee for review.

E. The committee will ask for legal advice on Policy 1:90/Prohibited Conduct. The question was raised if the word *possession* found in the last paragraph on page 2 of the Red Book should include wording to include “using or consuming drugs and/or alcohol”.

F. Other items from Members

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.