

New Milford Board of Education
Policy Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2025
Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center

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Present:	Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson Mrs. Sarah Herring Mr. Dean Barile Mr. Randall Scofield
Absent:	

Also Present:	Dr. Janet Parlato, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Holly Hollander, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
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1.		Call to Order The New Milford Board of Education Policy Sub-Committee was called to order at 6:31pm by Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson.	Call to Order
2.		Public Comment None	Public Comment None
3.	A.	Discussion and Possible Action New Policy for First Read 1. 5130 Restorative Practices Response Policy Dr. Parlato stated this is a companion policy to the School Climate Policy. The Board of Education must adopt a restorative practice response by July 2025. This policy does not replace traditional school discipline; it adds strategies for challenging behavior situations that are disruptive to the educational environment. Mr. Scofield asked if the policy applies to kids with special needs. Dr. Parlato stated yes, this policy applies to almost every student and those students will be subject to standard school discipline. Mr. Barile asked if there could be more clarity on what the restorative practices are when it comes to reintegration. Dr. Parlato stated, if a student is suspended, the reintegration is how they re-enter the school and classroom. Mr.	3. Discussion and Possible Action A. New Policy for First Read 1. 5130 Restorative Practices Response Policy

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	<p>Barile stated, when the climate policy was reviewed, there was a need to expedite it because of deadlines. We have yet to see or review any of the climate policy. Now the rush is no longer needed because something has been put in place for us to move forward. Mr. Barile stated, even though it is a regulation, the agreement was that the Board could review and make edits. Dr. Parlato stated she could provide the policy. Right now the current policy does not have many changes besides adding in these restorative pieces.</p> <p>B. New Policy for Second Read</p> <p>1. 1340 Naming or Renaming School Buildings, Components of School Buildings and/or School Grounds</p> <p>Mrs. Herring noted that giving the East Street building back to the town could lead to a name change.</p> <p><i>Mrs. Herring moved to bring policy 1340 to the full board for second read. Seconded by Mr. Barile. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>C. Policy Revisions for Second Read</p> <p>1. 1111 School Security and Safety and Comparison Document</p> <p>2. 1250 Visitors and Observations in Schools and Comparison Document</p> <p>Mr. Barile asked if this policy conflicts with federal policy and the current administration's Executive Orders. Dr. Parlato stated it does not, and the advice they would have received from legal counsel is that the Executive Order is not legislation. Mr. Barile stated Executive Orders are law and can adjudicate just as much. The concern is for the potential loss of funding if guidelines are not followed. It's important to ensure the district does not get involved in the ideological game and sticks with the law. Dr.</p>	<p>B. New Policy for Second Read</p> <p>1. 1340 Naming or Renaming School Buildings, Components of School Buildings and/or School Grounds</p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring policy 1340 to the full board for second read.</p> <p>C. Policy Revisions for Second Read</p> <p>1. 1111 School Security and Safety and Comparison Document</p> <p>2. 1250 Visitors and Observations in Schools and Comparison Document</p>
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		<p>Parlato replied that the attorneys are careful to ensure the district is in compliance.</p> <p>1250: Mr. Barile stated he holds the same concerns for 1250 as he does for 1111.</p> <p><i>Mrs. McInerney moved to bring policies 1111 and 1250 to the full board for second read. Seconded by Mr. Scofield. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>D. Policies and Administrative Regulations Discontinued and Recommended for Deletion</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4116 Increasing Educator Diversity Plan and Minority Hiring Recruitment Plan 2. 5131.911 Bullying Prevention and Intervention and Safe School Climate Plan and Administrative Regulations <p>Mr. Barile asked if these policies and regulations are being replaced by a different policy. Dr. Parlato stated 5131.911 is now part of the safe school climate plan and 4116 is being deleted. Mrs. McInerney asked if it was covered under law. Dr. Parlato replied that it is covered under Connecticut law, and it is per the advice of Shimpan & Goodman to delete policy 4116.</p> <p><i>Mr. Barile moved to bring policies and administrative regulations 4116 and 5131.911 discontinued and recommended for deletion to the full board for second review. Seconded by Mr. Scofield. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>E. Items of Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1111 R Administrative Regulations Regarding School Security and Safety 2. 1250 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Visitors and Observations in Schools 	<p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring policies 1111 and 1250 to the full board for second read.</p> <p>D. Policies and Administrative Regulations Discontinued and Recommended for Deletion</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4116 Increasing Educator Diversity Plan and Minority Hiring Recruitment Plan 2. 5131.911 Bullying Prevention and Intervention and Safe School Climate Plan and Administrative Regulations <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring policies and administrative regulations 4116 and 5131.911 discontinued and recommended for deletion to the full board for first review.</p> <p>E. Items of Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1111 R Administrative Regulations Regarding School Security and Safety 2. 1250 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Visitors and Observations in Schools
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		3. 7000 Concepts and Roles in Planning for Educational Facilities 4. 5131.91R Administrative Regulations Regarding Connecticut School Climate Policy No discussion.	3. 7000 Concepts and Roles in Planning for Educational Facilities 4. 5131.91R Administrative Regulations Regarding Connecticut School Climate Policy
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4.		Public Comment None	Public Comment
5.		Adjourn <i>Mr. Scofield moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m., seconded by Mr. Barile and passed unanimously.</i>	Adjourn Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson