

**New Milford Board of Education  
 Policy Sub-Committee Meeting Motions & Minutes  
 April 7, 2026  
 Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center**

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Present:	Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson Mrs. Sarah Herring Mr. Joseph Failla
Absent:	Mrs. Leslie Sarich

Also Present:	Dr. Janet Parlato, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Holly Hollander, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
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1.	<b>Call to Order</b> The New Milford Board of Education Policy Sub-Committee was called to order at 7:16 p.m. by Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson.	<b>Call to Order</b> The meeting was called to order at 7:16 p.m.
2.	<b>Public Comment</b> None	<b>Public Comment</b> None
3.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action</b></p> <p><b>A. Revised Policies for First Read:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>3160 Budget Procedures and Line Item Transfers</b></li> <li>2. <b>5125 Confidentiality and Access to Education Records</b></li> <li>3. <b>6147 Parental Access to Instructional Material</b></li> <li>4. <b>6142.1 Curricular Exemptions</b></li> </ol> <p>Mrs. McInerney noted the start time for the meeting is 6:30pm, not 7:15 as listed on the agenda.</p> <p>3160: Dr. Parlato stated this is a business policy which includes language applicable for districts that have a non-lapsing account, and how the use of funds must be disclosed to the state department of education and local certified bargaining units. Currently New Milford does not have a non-lapsing policy, so that new piece of the policy does not apply. Mr. Failla asked, if the</p>	<p><b>3. Discussion and Possible Action</b></p> <p><b>A. Revised Policies for First Read:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>3160 Budget Procedures and Line Item Transfers</b></li> <li>2. <b>5125 Confidentiality and Access to Education Records</b></li> <li>3. <b>6147 Parental Access to Instructional Material</b></li> <li>4. <b>6142.1 Curricular Exemptions</b></li> </ol>

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	<p>district did have a non-lapsing account would it be under complete control of the Board of Education. Dr. Parlato stated yes.</p> <p>5125:        Dr. Parlato stated FERPA is the school’s version of HIPPA. This revision allows a parent to view a child’s educational records, even if they are over the age of 18, as long as that child is claimed as a dependent on their tax records.</p> <p>6147:        Dr. Parlato stated, the revision to this policy states for the 26/27 school year, each school district in Connecticut has to post scope and sequence of all curriculum on their website. Mrs. McInerney asked if New Milford already does this. Ms. Hollander stated yes.</p> <p>6142.1:        Dr. Parlato stated the policy revision states school officials must now consider parent requests for excusal from instruction when they claim that instruction in certain topics burdens the religious upbringing of their children. Mrs. McInerney asked if any parents already requested this exemption. Dr. Parlato stated not to her knowledge.</p> <p><i>Mrs. Herring moved to bring the following policies to the full Board for first read: 3160, 5125, 6147, and 6142.1. Seconded by Mr. Failla. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p><b>B. Revised Policies for Second Read:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>4118.25 Reports of Suspected Abuse or Neglect of Children or Reports of 4218.25 Sexual Assaults of Students by School Employees</b></li> <li>2. <b>4131 Social Media 4231</b></li> <li>3. <b>4152.6 Family and Medical Leave Act 4252.6</b></li> <li>4. <b>5131 Student Discipline</b></li> </ol>	<p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring the following policies to the full Board for first read: 3160, 5125, 6147, and 6142.1.</p> <p><b>B. Revised Policies for Second Read:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>4118.25 Reports of Suspected Abuse or Neglect of Children or Reports of 4218.25 Sexual Assaults of Students by School Employees</b></li> <li>2. <b>4131 Social Media 4231</b></li> </ol>
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		<p><b>5. 5146 Child Sexual Abuse and Assault Response Policy and Reporting Procedure</b></p> <p><i>Mrs. McInerney moved to bring the following policies to the full Board for second read: 4118.25, 4218.25, 4131, 4231, 4152.6, 4252.6, 5131, and 5146. Seconded by Mr. Failla. Motion passed unanimously.</i></p>	<p><b>3. 4152.6 Family and Medical Leave Act 4252.6</b></p> <p><b>4. 5131 Student Discipline</b></p> <p><b>5. 5146 Child Sexual Abuse and Assault Response Policy and Reporting Procedure</b></p> <p>Motion made and passed unanimously to bring the following policies to the full Board for second read: 4118.25, 4218.25, 4131, 4231, 4152.6, 4252.6, 5131, and 5146.</p>
4.	<p><b>A. 4131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Social Media</b></p> <p><b>4231 R</b></p> <p><b>B. 5125 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Confidentiality and Access to Education Records</b></p> <p><b>C. 5131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Student Discipline</b></p>	<p><b>Items of Information:</b></p> <p>Mrs. McInerney stated the board does not vote on regulations. Dr. Parlato noted that there is a new definition of bullying and challenging behavior.</p> <p>Mr. Failla stated there is little flexibility in changing the language. Dr. Parlato agreed and stated it is mostly legislative changes.</p>	<p><b>Items of Information:</b></p> <p><b>A. 4131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Social Media 4231 R</b></p> <p><b>B. 5125 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Confidentiality and Access to Education Records</b></p> <p><b>C. 5131 R Administrative Regulations Regarding Student Discipline</b></p>

5.		<p><b>Public Comment</b> None</p>	<p><b>Public Comment</b></p>
6.		<p><b>Adjourn</b> <i>Mrs. Herring moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Mr. Failla and passed unanimously.</i></p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b> Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.</p>

Respectfully Submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tammy McInerney', written in a cursive style.

Mrs. Tammy McInerney, Chairperson