

**New Milford Board of Education
Policy Sub-Committee Minutes
June 20, 2017
Lillis Administration Building, Room 2**

RECEIVED
TOWN CLERK

2017 JUN 27 A 8:18

NEW MILFORD, CT

Present: Mr. J.T. Schemm, Chairperson
Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach
Mrs. Tammy McInerney
Mr. Bill Dahl, alternate

Absent: Mr. Dave Littlefield

Also Present: Mr. Joshua Smith, Superintendent

1.	Call to Order The meeting of the New Milford Board of Education Policy Sub-Committee was called to order at 6:51 p.m. by Mr. Schemm. Mr. Dahl was seated in the absence of Mr. Littlefield.	Call to Order
2.	Public Comment There was none.	Public Comment
3.	Discussion and Possible Action A. Policy for Review: 1. 1325 Advertising and Promotion - Mr. Schemm noted there are currently no regulations with this policy. - Mrs. McInerney said she was glad to see this as more and more people are advertising in schools. She asked how this would impact groups such as the PTO. She said now flyers are approved by school principals for K-8 and Mr. Smith approves others. She asked how this would be policed. - Mr. Smith said this was more for organizations that want to advertise on the turf field fences. - Mrs. Faulenbach confirmed that this was for the more permanent advertising. - Mr. Smith said these issues can be worked out in the regulations to be more specific.	Discussion and Possible Action A. Policy for Review: 1. 1325 Advertising and Promotion

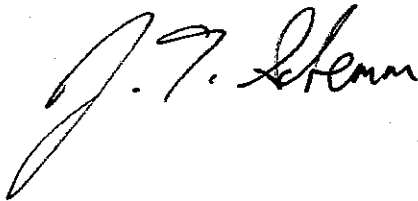
	• Mrs. McInerney said the regulations will clarify the issues like the PTO question. • Mrs. Faulenbach said she looked at this differently as the past practice for sending flyers out has a different policy. She said this came about as a result of the costs of the turf field and how to pay for it. She said the Board does need to be careful about how they go about this though. She said she was going to look at other districts too. • Mr. Schemm said they can look into CABE too. • Mrs. Faulenbach felt this leaves the Superintendent with a lot of discretion. • Mr. Schemm said he felt there was good, open language. • Mrs. McInerney asked if fundraising would be the responsibility of the turf committee as they introduce a buy a brick program. • Mrs. Faulenbach said they are looking into various fundraising programs. • Mr. Schemm said Policy 1140 deals with the distribution of materials. • Mrs. Faulenbach said many policies feed off of each other. She also suggested reaching out to CABE for assistance on this policy. • Mr. Smith noted several other districts have turf fields now too, such as New Fairfield and Ridgefield. He said he would have the athletic director reach out to them to see if they have policies. • Mr. Schemm said in relation to this policy there would be no July 4th meeting and so the samples would have to be brought to the August meeting for consideration. • Mrs. McInerney asked if this would go before Facilities and Mrs. Faulenbach said Kevin Munrett is on the turf field committee as are parents and students.	
4.	Discussion	Discussion
A.	Policy for Review:	A. Policy for Review:

	1. 6141.321/4118.4/4218.4 Acceptable Use and Internet Safety • Mr. Smith said this is slotted for a full vote by the Board on July 18th. Mrs. Faulenbach asked how this would get into the handbook and Mr. Smith said it would be in the elementary schools actual handbook but would be an addendum piece to the high school. • Mrs. Faulenbach asked if parents would still sign off on this and Mr. Smith said they would get this as part of the overall school packet as one of the forms. It will also be part of the portal which will be introduced by a splash page to get attention. • Mr. Dahl asked what would happen if someone did not have a computer and Mr. Smith said parents still get this information in writing. • Mrs. McInerney said there is no parent portal for K-5 and Mr. Smith said the packet goes home with the kids but the portal will be available next year. • Mr. Schemm noted on Appendix B that the agreement is unbounded and asked what would happen if things change. Mr. Smith said the attorney said keep it unbounded but the intent is for it to be signed each year. • Mrs. Faulenbach felt parents need to be made to understand that they have some responsibility on this issue. Mr. Smith said they do try to educate parents at open houses and curriculum nights but the turnout is often light. This needs to be a partnership between parents and children and the schools. • Mrs. Faulenbach suggested a cover letter be added which states that this needs to be discussed in the house. • Mr. Smith said the school system has resources to manage technology and to have a conversation with their children. • Mrs. McInerney asked how the school district can say someone can't legally post an opinion. Mr. Smith said teachers are bound by a	1. 6141.321/4118.4/4218.4 Acceptable Use and Internet Safety
--	--	--

	professional code of ethics. • Mrs. McInerney asked how this was policed and Mr. Smith said it's probably done on a case by case basis but a teacher can't rant about a Board's decision for instance. He said bullying is still bullying. • Mr. Schemm said the last appendix addressed outside contractors and asked how that would work and Mr. Smith said it was primarily if they access the districts internet.	
5. A.	Item of Information Regulation for Discussion: 1. 2400 Superintendent Evaluation Process • Mrs. Faulenbach noted the Board did not vote on regulations and Mr. Smith said this is an item for information and felt this was a thorough process but it could be tweaked going forward. • Mrs. McInerney asked if this committee could change the language and Mr. Smith said regulations are written by the administration. Mr. Smith said LEAD CT was the driving force behind this document but they were concerned about numeric rating scale. They recommended picking a couple of competencies to work on. He said a summative report would say "at or above" versus 4.2 for instance. • Mrs. Faulenbach said this has too much resolution. She said the evaluation should tie to goals. • Mr. Schemm said there should be goals and performance expectations. • Mr. Smith said this document looks at competencies but should not focus on one thing to the detriment of everything else.	Item of Information A. Regulation for Discussion: 1. 2400 Superintendent Evaluation Process
6.	Public Comment • There was none.	Public Comment

7.	Adjourn Mrs. Faulenbach moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. seconded by Mrs. McInerney and passed unanimously.	Adjourn Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m.
----	--	---

Respectfully submitted:



J.T. Schemm, Chairperson
Policy Sub-Committee