

## POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Liberty School Board Room  
Tuesday, July 25, 2023  
5:30 pm

## MINUTES

**Jenny Miller, Chair, Susan Estep, Lauren Gold**  
**Superintendent Laatsch, Recording Secretary Betty Jahnke**

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Committee Chair, Jenny Miller

2. **Public Comment - None**

3. **Discussion Items**

a. **Legal Counsel: Revision to Motion made at the July 11, 2023 Meeting**

**Original Motion:**

*... move to appoint the Thrun Law Firm, P.C., of Lansing, Michigan and Collins & Blaba, P.C as legal counsel for the school district for the 2023-2024 school year. In addition, the District is authorized to utilize other law firms pending areas of expertise.*

**Suggestion Revision:**

*... move to appoint the Thrun Law Firm, P.C., of Lansing, Michigan and Collins & Blaba, P.C as legal counsel for the school district **or board** for the 2023-2024 school year. In addition, the District is authorized to utilize other law firms pending areas of expertise.*

The committee agreed to put this back on the August 8th agenda with the addition of “or board”. This is an annual action that requires BOE approval. The addition of “or board” aligns with the wording in Bylaw 0172 Legal Counsel.

b. **Policy 2240: Controversial Issues**

The revised recommended policy was read and discussed. There were some edits suggested to be consistent with wording throughout the policy. A clean copy will be prepared prior to

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being brought to the full board for a 1st reading. Legal counsel will also be asked to review the revised policy. First reading is scheduled for the full board on August 8, 2023.

**c. Policy 5511: Dress and Grooming**

This policy will continue to be discussed at the next policy committee meeting. Superintendent's office will seek clarification on some wording in the policy.

**d. Policy 9150: School Visitors**

Chair, Jenny Miller will update the board on August 8th on the legal changes to SORNA and clarifying why the changes were made to the policy. The Policy committee is not recommending changes at this time. These revisions are the legal recommendations based on the 2022 changes to the Sex Offender Registration & Notification Act.

4. **Public Comment**

**Lisa Slawson** - Spoke regarding Opt Out Policy

**Sara Scadding** - Spoke regarding Opt Out Policy

**David Hayward** - Spoke regarding Opt Out Policy

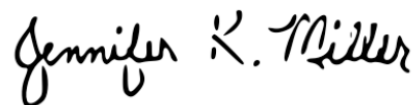
**Tiffanie Alexander** - Spoke regarding Opt Out Policy

5. **Next Meeting: TBD**

6. **Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer K. Miller  
Board Secretary

*Recorded by: Betty Jahnke*