

Board of Education – Policy Committee
Williamsville Community Unit School District #15
Williamsville, Illinois 62693
October 19, 2015
6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Matt Seman, Charlie Waugh, Teresa Benner and Corey Conklin

ADMINISTRATION & STAFF:

Dave Root, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

The Board reviewed the following recommended policy manual changes and updates from IASB:

- 5:170 – Copyright
 - Option: Add DMCA Agent
 - Name, Address, Email and Telephone
 - Mr. Root advises to keep our current policy in place
- 5:270 – Employment At-Will, Compensation and Assignment
- 5:290 – Employment Termination and Suspensions
- 6:140 – Education of Homeless Children
- 7:10 – Equal Educational Opportunities
 - Added immigration status to the list of protected classifications
- 7:40 – Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students
 - Those who attend private schools, or are homeschooled, are entitled to special education services in a public school of the district in which they live
- 7:310 – Restrictions of Publications
 - Policy was edited to keep the policy current with rapid technology changes
 - Bullying and Cyber-bullying was added
- 7:325 – Student Fundraising Activities – Renamed and Rewritten
 - Option: Choose one of the following, if desired:
 - To prohibit door-to-door solicitations
 - To discourage door-to-door solicitations
 - Mr. Root has worked with the Administration to ensure that school fundraising opportunities do not overlap. Mr. Root is more comfortable with service projects as opposed to fundraising.
 - Student safety must be paramount
- 8:10 - Connection with the Community
 - Option 1: Alternative Public Relations Section
 - Option 2: Remove Community Engagement Section
 - We do not have a District Safety Coordinator - that is Mr. Root. We really do not need to include this language
 - Community Engagement is a new option that we will not be adding
- 8:80 – Gifts to the District – Rewritten
 - Grants school boards the authority to accept and manage gifts

It was stated that Sherman Chamber of Commerce might be interested in providing a new scholarship opportunity and a comment/question was raised about how a group is added to have a new scholarship awarded. Mr. Root stated that it must be approved by the Board before a group is added and that he will get back to the Board with all criteria required.

It was recommended to get a list of the current, active scholarships available and review them.

Mr. Root recommended that the Board review these policies and he will present it to the Board for approval and/or changes at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Corey Conklin and seconded Teresa Benner to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Submitted by Jenny Brennan, Recording Secretary