

**MINUTES OF THE
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON
February 14, 2024**

Chairperson: Chris Martinson
Notetaker: Katie Batten

Committee member attendees: Katie Batten, Chris Martinson, Terry Wegner, Kandi Martin, Scott Bleck

Other attendees: Mark Grossman, Bill Krostue, Nate Grundy

Time convened: 2:00 p.m.

A. Public input
None.

B. Policy/Administrative Guideline review and discussion

- 411 Equal Educational Opportunities/Complaint Procedures

Maybe cross-reference to 370; items #1 and #2 proposed addition; Terry formally requested Attorney Macy send a written opinion similar to what he sent in 2022 to justify defending

RECOMMENDATION: #1 to include “or have assigned legal guardianship;” move forward with revision (Terry Wegner-no, Chris Martinson-yes, K. Batten-yes)

- 433.1 Elementary Intradistrict Transfer Request

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 433.2 Assignment/Placement of Students

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 434 Released Time for Students

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 434.1 Released Time for Religious Instruction – Students

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 435 Withdrawal from School

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended but add clarification: “If no withdrawal form is received, school will make all reasonable efforts to track down student’s next whereabouts.”

- 436 Dismissal During School Hours – Student

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- *440 Student Rights and Responsibilities (Section Title)*

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RECOMMENDATION: recognized laws are included

- 443 Code of Student Conduct

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended (electronic student information system)

- 443.1 Student Dress

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended in green on 443.1 clarifications

- 443.2 Student Conduct on School Bus

RECOMMENDATION: no changes, as recommended

- 443.3 Tobacco Use on School Premises

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 443.4 Student Alcohol and Other Drug Use

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 443.41 Breath-Testing Students for the Presence of Alcohol

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 443.71 Bullying

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 443.8 Gang Activity – Prohibited

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 444 Married Students and School Age Parents

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 445 Interrogations – Student

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 445.1 Student Interviews by Police

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 446 Searches – Student

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 446.1 Searches – Student Locker/Desk

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 446.2 Searches by Trained Canines

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 447 Student Behavior and Discipline

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 447.1 Corporal Punishment

RECOMMENDATION: as recommended

- 447.2 Student Detentions

RECOMMENDATION: Admin guidelines, add D, “Reasonable efforts will be made to notify guardians of after-school detentions.”

- 447.3 Student Suspension

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 447.4 Student Expulsion

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- 449 Due Process Hearing Requests Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

- *450 Student Health and Welfare (Section Title)*

- 452 Student Aid Programs

RECOMMENDATION: no changes

C. Establish date and time for next meeting

RECOMMENDATION: April 3 at 2:00 p.m.; review the rest of Section 400

Time adjourned: 3:04 p.m.

Katie Batten, Notetaker