

SONOMA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Governance and Policy Committee
Sonoma County Office of Education
5350 Skylane Boulevard
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2016

Call to Order: Governance and Policy Committee was called to order in open session by Peter Kostas at 9:25 a.m.

Present: Members: Peter Kostas and Herman Hernandez. Staff Present: Loren Soukup

Approval of Agenda: Hernandez motioned to approve the agenda with no revisions; it was seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2016: Hernandez motioned to approve the minutes with no corrections; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Consent Agenda: No items on the consent agenda.

Discussion and Possible Action Referred to County Board:

6.1 BP 2121: Salary of Sonoma County Superintendent of Schools. The Committee discussed the policy revisions based on CSBA's May policy updates. Additional language was added to the policy concerning the discussion of the County Superintendent's salary in closed session and updates were made to the Legal References. Hernandez motioned to take the revised policy to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.2 BP 3513.3: Tobacco-Free Environment. The Committee discussed whether to keep the policy based on its review of SP 3513.3 and BP 5131.62. The Committee directed Soukup to keep the policy and make the necessary updates pursuant to CSBA's May revisions.

6.3 BP 5131.62: Tobacco, Nicotine And Smoking. The Committee reviewed the policy revisions based on CSBA's May policy updates. Additional language was added to the policy concerning the definition of smoking. Hernandez motioned to take the revised policy to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.4 BP 5141.4: Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting. The Committee reviewed the policy revisions based on CSBA's policy updates. Kostas motioned to take the revised policy to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Hernandez; approved by all.

6.5 BB 9000: Source of Power. The Committee reviewed the bylaw revisions which were made to align with CSBA's bylaw template. The Committee agreed to keep in the language concerning

Emergency Schools, as set forth in Education Code 1920. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.6 E 9000: Role of the Board. The Committee reviewed and discussed the template exhibit from CSBA. The Committee directed Soukup to provide a copy of the exhibit to Anne Layton at SCOE and ask her to include it in all new board member packets and to provide a copy to all current board members. The Committee also requested that sections 26-28 and 40 be removed from the exhibit.

6.7 BB 9001: Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information. The Committee reviewed the bylaw revisions which were made to align with CSBA's bylaw template. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.8 BB 9005: Governance. The Committee reviewed the bylaw revisions which were made to align with CSBA's bylaw template. The Committee discussed use of the term "high-quality" versus "equitable" and agreed that this would be a good topic to discuss at the next board retreat. The Committee recommended that the term "equitable" be added to the second paragraph of the bylaw. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.9 BB 9010: Public Statements. The Committee discussed the new policy, which was based off of CSBA's template bylaw. Hernandez motioned to take the new bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.10 BB 9220: Election of Members. The Committee reviewed the bylaw revisions which were made to align with CSBA's bylaw template. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.11 BB 9321: Closed Session Purposes and Agendas. The Committee reviewed the bylaw revisions which were made to align with CSBA's bylaw template. The Committee discussed the tie breaker options and recommended that a tie be broken by lot. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.12 BP 5117: Interdistrict Attendance Appeals. The Committee reviewed the revisions to the policy. The revisions were made based on concerns raised by board members at previous appeal hearings. The Committee recommended that the same language be added to the hearing letters which are sent to the parents. Hernandez motioned to take the revised policy to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

6.13 BB 9130: Board Committees. The Committee discussed the revisions to the bylaw which were made to align with the CSBA bylaw template and to address community members being appointed to standing committees and the instructional standing committee's obligations regarding the LCAP. Hernandez motioned to take the revised bylaw to the County Board for a first reading; seconded by Kostas; approved by all.

7. New Business. No new business was discussed.

Next Meeting:
Adjournment:

September 20, 2016 at 9:15 a.m.
The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.