# MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 17, 2020 MEETING OF THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD POLICY COMMITTEE

November 17, 2020

### 1. Opening Items

#### 1.01 Call to Order

The meeting of the Board Policy Committee was called to order at 2:02 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 health emergency declared by Governor Sisolak and consistent with current guidelines and directives, the meeting was conducted virtually.

### 1.02 Roll Call

President Malena Raymond and Board Members Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, and Angela Taylor were present. Superintendent Kristen McNeill, Deputy Superintendent Debra Biersdorff, and staff were also present.

#### 1.03 **Public Comment**

The Board Policy Committee received comments from the following: Anonymous

### 1.04 Action to Adopt the Agenda

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board Policy Committee approves the agenda as presented.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

### 2. Items for Presentation, Discussion, and/or Possible Action

2.01 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9060, ANNUAL GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND EVALUATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9060, Annual Goals, Objectives and Evaluation of the Board of Trustees. The purpose statement was simplified as was language throughout the policy. Paragraph two on page was moved above and added to paragraph one. The "desired outcomes" section was removed to keep with the new format for Board policies.

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Caudill that **the Board Policy Committee** forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9060, Annual Goals, Objectives and Evaluation of the Board of Trustees, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.02 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9062, ORIENTATION AND CONTINUOUS EDUCATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9062, Orientation and Continuous Education of the Board of Trustees. The "governing principles" statement was removed because it is contained in the purpose statement. Language was simplified. In paragraph ii. on page two, the sentence stating that "all training sessions shall be provided by personnel trained in the Balanced Governance Model" was deleted because this is limiting to the kinds of training the Board may want.

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Kennedy that the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9062, Orientation and Continuous Education of the Board of Trustees, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.03 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9065, BOARD OF TRUSTEES' COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9065, Board of Trustees' Compensation and Expenses. The purpose statement was simplified, and definitions were moved to the top of the policy in keeping with the new format adopted for Board policies. Again, "desired outcomes" was removed because it is contained in the purpose statement. Mr. Rombardo asked if the Trustees had any suggestions for this policy.

Trustee Minetto called attention to section 3.b.i under Mileage Reimbursement, where it states no claims for mileage under five miles shall be allowed when traveling to and from Board meetings. She proposed that this limit possibly be increased. Trustee Simon Holland commented that because the county is so large, there are Trustees that have to drive long distances to Board meetings and to schools. She added that Trustees make little money, and she supports the way the policy is written with mileage reimbursements over five miles. Trustee Caudill expressed concerns about the mileage reimbursement being taken advantage of. President Raymond made the suggestion that at the end of each month or quarter the mileage claims be reviewed as a check to identify anything out of the ordinary or that would warrant a conversation about abuse of the mileage reimbursement. Trustee Simon Holland concurred and commented that if the Board President is able to confer with an offending Board member and get the matter resolved right away it should be a good check on the process. She noted that they want to avoid discouraging anyone from serving on the Board because they cannot afford to do a lot of driving. Superintendent McNeill added that she receives the Trustee mileage reports when they are turned and is responsible for checking them. The Accounts Payable Department also checks them. She suggested that the Superintendent could forward the mileage reports to the Board President for final review. Trustee Taylor agreed that driving could be a financial burden and that having the Board President check mileage reports to ensure they are legitimate is a good check on the process. Mr. Rombardo told the Committee that the NRS 386.320 refers to specifically to travel to Board meetings only, and states that Trustees are entitled to mileage reimbursements when traveling over five miles to and from Board meetings. President Raymond asked if they could have the review process stated in the policy. Mr. Rombardo agreed that this could be added to the policy. After some discussion, a new paragraph six on page four was added to the policy: "6. All Trustees' expense and mileage reimbursement requests will go through a review process by the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall bring any concern to the Board President for review and resolution."

Trustee Caudill referred to 1.b. under the Definitions where it includes Town Hall meetings as an example of "constituent meetings" that are subject to Open Meeting Law. Mr. Rombardo replied that Town Hall meetings are not subject to Open Meeting Law and proposed removing all the examples under the "official school business" definition so

that it simply lists as official school business: a. official school events and activities; b. constituent meetings; c. Board Committee and Subcommittee meetings; d. events sponsored by an entity in which the Board/District holds membership; e. official legislative and/or lobbying activity, as directed by the Board President. The Trustees agreed to this change.

It was moved by Trustee Taylor and seconded by Trustee Caudill that **the Board Policy Committee** forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9065, Board of Trustees' Compensation and Expenses, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.04 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO ND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9075, DISTRICT INITIATIVES, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9075, District Initiatives, Programs, and Services. Mr. Rombardo told the Committee that Trustee Simon Holland requested two revisions to Board Policy 9075 at the last Board Policy Committee meeting, and now it is being brought back to the Committee with the revisions. The first revision was the deletion of 3.b.ii. on page two "aligns with a line item of the District's adopted annual budget." The other revision was under definition 1. To add the words "physical health" to the definition. Trustee Simon Holland commented that this is an important policy because it ensures that important decisions go through the Board of Trustees and are not done solely at the direction of the Superintendent .

It was moved by Trustee Caudill and seconded by Trustee Kennedy that the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9075, District Initiatives, Programs, and Services, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.06 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REPEALING BOARD POLICY 9150, CHIEF AUDITOR — ORGANIZATIONAL INDEPENDENCE, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO COMBINE THE LANGUAGE THEREIN WITH BOARD POLICIES 9155 AND 9170 TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, asked President Raymond if it would be allowable to take agenda items 2.06, 2.07, and 2.09 next, out of order. Kirk Starkey, Chief Auditor, was present at the meeting and these agenda items deal with policies around the Chief Auditor, the Internal Audit Department, and the Audit Committee. It was agreed to take the agenda items out of order.

Mr. Rombardo explained that when his office looked at Board Policies 9150, 9155 and 9170 they were hard to follow. In order to simplify the policies, it was recommended that Board Policy 9150, Chief Auditor-Organizational Independence, be repealed and the language in the policy be combined with Board Policy 9155, Audit Committee, and Board Policy 9170, Internal Audit Department. Mr. Starkey, Chief Auditor, commented that he agrees with the proposed repeal of Board Policy 9150.

It was moved by Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Taylor that **the Board Policy Committee recommends repealing Board Policy 9150**, Chief Auditor — Organizational Independence, more specifically to combine the language therein with Board Policies 9155 and 9170 to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.07 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9155, AUDIT COMMITTEE, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Mr. Rombardo presented the proposed revisions to Policy 9155, Audit Committee. The purpose statement was simplified, and the heading "governing principles" was removed. The language throughout the policy was simplified. Mr. Starkey approved of the changes. Trustee Simon Holland suggested that Mr. Starkey inform the Audit Committee Chair of

the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9155, and Mr. Starkey agreed that he would do this.

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9155**, Audit Committee, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.09 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9170, INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9170, Internal Audit Department. Redundancies in the policy were removed and formatting changes were made. Paragraphs referring to the Chief Internal Auditor and staff were removed from a section that was entitled Continuing Professional Education to fall under the Chief Internal Auditor section and under "staff" in the Organization section. Language from Board Policy 9150 regarding the Chief Auditor was added to Board Policy 9155 under the Organization section. The role of Staff is also laid out in the organization section. Mr. Starkey agreed with the revisions.

It was moved by Trustee Taylor and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board Policy Committee** forward the proposed revision of Board Policy 9170, Internal Audit Department, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.05 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9081, FORMATIVE MONITORING OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND STRATEGIC GOALS TO PROGRESS MONITORING OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S PERFORMANCE AND THE BOARD BALANCED GOVERNANCE MODEL GOALS AND STANDARDS, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR

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Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9081, Formative Monitoring of the Superintendent and Strategic Goals to Progress Monitoring of the Superintendent's Performance and the Board Balanced Governance Model Goals and Standards. He reminded the Trustees that this policy had been put into moratorium because it conflicted with other policies. A lot of the language in the revised policy was pulled from other policies. The responsible office was changed to the Office of the Superintendent and the title of the policy was changed to "Progress Monitoring of the Superintendent's Performance and the Board Balanced Governance Model Goals and Standards." The purpose statement was simplified and clarified. The definitions of formative assessment and summative assessment, terms used in the Balanced Governance Model, are provided at the beginning of the policy. Formative Assessment and Summative Assessment were given their own headings. Processes and systems that are no longer used were deleted. The Chief of Staff was removed from the policy because that is no longer a title. Mr. Rombardo explained, that unless it is required by law, they avoid putting specific positions in the policies. Language in red on pages four, five, and six existed in other policies and was moved to this policy because they felt it fit better in this policy.

Trustee Kennedy commented that the terms "formative" and "summative" are commonly used in education and using them in this policy makes sense. Trustee Caudill asked for clarification on 3.d. on page five, where it states that "the Board should only address negative critique of the Superintendent's response or action toward Trustees, staff, or community through the formal Superintendent evaluation." Mr. Rombardo replied that this language was pulled from another policy and his understanding is that this refers to discouraging individual Board members from going out and critiquing the Superintendent in public because there is a process for this. Trustee Simon Holland expressed the opinion that 3.d. could be removed because the steps of process are clearly stated above in 3.a., 3.b., and 3.c. After some discussion among the Trustees it was agreed that 3.d. should be deleted, and the word "finally" added to step 3.c. Trustee Caudill then asked about the intent of the second paragraph of section 4. on page six. Mr. Rombardo explained that this section was intended to keep the Trustees at a higher management level than the Superintendent, and avoid Trustees thinking they have their own programs and processes. Trustee Simon Holland commented that it is important to convey to the public that the Trustees know what is going on as part of informed oversight. Trustee Caudill agreed and commented that there can be a fine line between micromanaging and informed oversight. After some discussion among the Trustees and the Superintendent, it was agreed to make two separate paragraphs and change the language to read: "As part of informed oversight, Trustees shall direct guestions about the implementation

of policy, programs, or operations processes to the Superintendent and refrain from

individually and privately investigating the implementation of policy, programs, or operations processes."

and

"To provide a systemic mechanism to monitor implementation fidelity and District culture, the Superintendent shall provide regularly scheduled Strategic Plan updates related to the Goals of the Strategic Plan."

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Caudill that the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9081, Formative Monitoring of the Superintendent and Strategic Goals to Progress Monitoring of the Superintendent's Performance and the Board Balanced Governance Model Goals and Standards, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.08 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9165, LEGAL COUNSEL, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9165, Legal Counsel. Most of the revisions were not substantive, and involved cleaning up the policy, removing redundancies, and format changes. The Modern Rules of Professional Conduct allow the Office of the general Counsel to go to the highest authority or the Board whenever needed, and language was changed to reflect that.

Trustee Minetto referred to the section under Outside Legal Counsel where it states that "The Office of the General Counsel may retain outside legal counsel up to a maximum cost of \$50,000..." and asked if this was enough. Mr. Rombardo explained that this means the Board must be informed for each \$50,000 threshold that is reached, as a check and balance. Trustee Caudill referred to section d. under Appeals and commented that there is nothing outlined about when the Board of Trustees might want to appeal. Mr. Rombardo replied that the standard in Nevada requires a public body to take a vote on all appeals of litigation, so it does not need to be written specifically in the policy because it is required by law. He further commented that sometimes the window to file an appeal is so short, that he would like to be able to file a notice of appeal and then come back to the Board for approval. After some discussion it was agreed to add a paragraph 3. under Appeals of Litigation that states, "The Office of the General Counsel has authority to file a notice of appeal, which then must be ratified by the Board at the next regularly

scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees." Trustee Caudill then called attention to section f.ii. under Independent Board Counsel and asked for clarification about "Only the officers of the Board of Trustees may seek advice from or consult with the independent board counsel. Mr. Rombardo commented that this was existing language, and the Board does not usually have its own independent Counsel. Trustee Taylor commented that at one point in the past the Board did get outside legal counsel for a specific matter, and this wording was added to policy to prevent individual Board members from consulting the independent counsel on other matters. Trustee Caudill asked if there should be something in the policy that outlines that the Chief General Counsel can come to the Board independent of the Superintendent, if needed. Mr. Rombardo answered that this can be found in Board Policy 9052, Communication Protocols for the Board of Trustees. He further explained that there is law that supersedes Board Policy that requires General Counsel to go to the next highest authority (the Board of Trustees) if they feel the entity they report to (the Superintendent) is harming the organization.

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Caudill that **the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9165**, Legal Counsel, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.10 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9210, EQUITY AND DIVERSITY, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9210, Equity and Diversity, which consisted primarily of putting the policy into the new format and punctuation corrections. Trustee Simon Holland asked for a small wording change that was made. Trustee Taylor called attention to section 6. beginning on page three, Inclusive Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices, and asked if this reflects the current work being done on curriculum. Mr. Rombardo commented that the policy revisions were sent to the Superintendent and to Dr. Paul LaMarca, Ombudsman and Strategies Officer, and neither of them suggested changes. Trustee Taylor expressed that she would like the task force on curriculum to look over the policy to ensure that the language in the policy reflects the recent resolution on curriculum. She suggested that Tiffany Young, Equity and Diversity Director, look at the policy before it is moved forward. The Board agreed to this.

It was moved by Trustee Kennedy and seconded by Trustee Calvert that **the Board Policy Committee does not forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9210**, Equity and Diversity, but rather, have the Department of Equity and Diversity review the policy first, before bringing it back to the Board Policy Committee for review. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.11 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9215, CREATING AND MAINTAINING A POSITIVE CULTURE AND CLIMATE, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9215, Creating and Maintaining a Positive Culture and Climate. Formatting was changed and one redundant paragraph was removed. The definition of "respect" was changed to "to feel or show deferential regard for someone or something."

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9215, Creating and Maintaining a Positive Culture and Climate, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.12 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9400, FINANCIAL AUDITING OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9400, Financial Auditing of the School District. He told the Trustees the changes to this policy were very minor. Trustee Simon Holland sent in a suggestion to add the word "independent" to 2.b., so that it reads "be conducted by an independent certified public

accountant", and this was done. The policy revisions were sent to Mark Mathers, Chief Financial Officer, and Rob Luna, Controller, and both approved the revisions.

It was moved by Trustee Kennedy and seconded by Trustee Simon Holland that the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9400, Financial Auditing of the School District, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, to a future regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval. The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2.13 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND REVISIONS TO AND/OR FORWARD THE PROPOSED REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICY 9405, CAPITAL FUNDING/BOND OVERSIGHT, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO CLARIFY THE POLICY AND ITS PURPOSE TO A FUTURE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Neil Rombardo, Chief General Counsel, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 9405, Capital Funding/Bond Oversight. Mr. Rombardo explained that this policy concerns the Capital Funding Protection Committee and the Bond Oversight Committee which have the same membership. The Capital Funding Protection Committee oversees WC-1 funds, and the Bond Oversight Committee oversees bonds for capital improvements. The revisions were mainly format changes.

Trustee Simon Holland suggested that under definitions 1. Capital Renewal be defined as "repairing what is already in district facilities", not just schools and classrooms. This change was made.

It was moved by Trustee Simon Holland and seconded by Trustee Calvert that **the Board Policy Committee forward the proposed revisions of Board Policy 9405, Capital Funding/Bond Oversight, more specifically to clarify the policy and its purpose, and provide suggested revisions to a future regular meeting of the Board of <b>Trustees for consideration of preliminary approval.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Sharon Kennedy, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

### 3. Closing Items

### 3.01 **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## 3.02 Announcement of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board Policy Committee will be in January 2021, but the date has not been calendared yet.

## 3.03 Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to come before the members of the Committee, President Raymond declared the meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

**Malena Raymond, President**