

**City of Lake Forest  
School District 67  
Policy Committee Minutes  
January 15, 2015**

**Mike Borkowski, Policy Committee Chair  
Jeff Folker, Policy Committee Member**

**Present:** Mike Borkowski, Committee Chair, Jeff Folker, Member, Mike Simeck, Lori Wilcox, Jennifer Hermes, Cornelius DuBose, Judi Epcke, Eileen Faller

The Board Policy Committee met on January 15, 2015 at 12:30 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Folker moved, seconded by Mr. Borkowski that the minutes of September 18 meeting be approved.

**Discussion:**

The Committee covered a number of PRESS Issue 87 policy updates and PRESS 5 Year updates that include recommendations from the IASB and state legislature. Policy 5:330 was also reviewed and along with thee Updates will be brought to the D67 Board meeting for approval.

A review of the district's social media policies took place. Certain portions will undergo additional review and discussion in the near future.

A conflict in the current Board policies regarding the Board's role in curriculum adoption was discussed. Mr. Folker and Mrs. Fagel will investigate this further, and the Committee will consider how best to clarify this at the next policy meeting.

The last item discussed involved the Board's Committee Structure and how to ensure compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Borkowski reviewed a conference call with Board's legal counsel Brian Crowley, Franczek Radelet, and Mike Simeck. Although Board committees consist of two or three Board members, occasionally additional Board members attend committee meetings as members of the public, in order to have informed and engaged Board members. Board members do have the right to attend Committee meetings as members of the public, but need to ensure that it complies fully with the OMA. To this end, all members of the public should be treated consistently, and they should only participate during public participation times as shown on the agenda. Each committee chair is permitted to establish rules for public participation at his or her committee meetings, and these rules should be applied consistently. Establishing multiple times for public participation during a committee meeting – for example at the beginning and the end of a meeting, or after certain topics have been covered – is permitted and is compliant with OMA; these public participation times simply need to be administered in a consistent basis for all public. There is no change to the policy regarding committee structure; I am sharing this information so that we all implement the policies appropriately.

**Adjourn:**

Mr. Borkowski moved, seconded by Mr. Folker that the meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.