Wake County Board of Education
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2014 @ 3:00 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: Jim Martin, Tom Benton, Monika Johnson-Hostler, & Zora Felton
Board Members: Christine Kushner, Kevin Hill, & Bill Fletcher
Staff Members: James Merrill, Marvin Connelly, Cathy Moore, Todd Wirt, Brian Pittman, John Williams, Ruth Steidinger, Carol Jenkins, Denise Tillery, Raushawna Price, Brad McMillen, James Overman, & Brenda Elliott
Board Attorney: Jonathan Blumberg

Chair Jim Martin called the meeting to order at: 3:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes from the March 25, 2014 meeting:
- The minutes from the Policy Committee held on March 25, 2014 were presented for approval.
- A motion was made to approve the minutes. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion. The minutes were approved.

Agenda Item #1:   Policy 5510 - Homework
- The policy was presented by Cathy Moore, Deputy Superintendent for School Performance and Todd Wirt, Assistant Superintendent for Academics.
- The committee recommended the following sentence be added to the first paragraph "Homework guidelines should be developed at the school level and incorporated into each school's grading plan."
- A motion was made to present the policy with revisions to the full Board. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item #2: Policy 5530 – Promotion and Intervention
- The policy was presented by Cathy Moore, Deputy Superintendent for School Performance and Todd Wirt, Assistant Superintendent for Academics.
- The committee recommended the first paragraph beginning with "Aligning with…" be removed.
- The committee recommended the second paragraph should read "Students in the Wake County Public School System are required to meet applicable state and local promotion standards and graduation requirements. To the extent additional guidance is necessary, the Superintendent or his designee shall implement procedures to facilitate the application of this policy."
- The committee recommended the first and second sentences be removed under Section A.
- The committee recommended striking Section 4A from the policy.
- The committee recommended revising Section B to include PEP information.

- The committee recommended that "shall" be changed to "may" in the second sentence of Section 2D.
- A motion was made to bring the policy back with revisions to the next Policy Committee meeting. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item #3: Policy 6011 – Entrance to Wake County Public School System
- The policy was presented by Cathy Moore, Deputy Superintendent for School Performance & Ruth Steidinger, Senior Director, Academic Programs and Support.
- The committee recommended that 6011.2 i and ii be reformatted as an example.
- It was noted that "of" should read a "or" in the first sentence of 6011.4.
- A motion was made to present the policy with revisions to the full Board. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item #4: Policy 5500 – Academic Achievement
- Presented by Cathy Moore, Deputy Superintendent for School Performance & Brenda Elliott, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services.
- The committee recommended the policy be enhanced by first talking about academic achievement then transitioning into the additional information as a subset of the strategies that address this policy.
- A motion was made to bring the policy back to the Policy Committee with revisions. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item #5: Policy 2550 – Research
- Presented by Brad McMillen, Assistant Superintendent, Data and Accountability.
- It was noted that the R&P contains all the legal requirements of this policy.
- A motion was made to present the policy to the full Board. All Policy Committee members were in favor of the motion.

Chair Jim Martin adjourned the meeting: 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Jim Martin - Chair, Policy Committee   Date

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James G. Merrill, Superintendent   Date

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Becky Scipien, Recording Secretary   Date

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Christine Kushner, Board Chair   Date