

**GENEVA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 304
227 NORTH FOURTH STREET, GENEVA, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Board of Education Policy Committee met at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2014, at Williamsburg Elementary School, 1812 Williamsburg Avenue, Geneva, Illinois.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Committee Chair Stith.
Committee members present: Leslie Juby, Mike McCormick, Mary Stith.

Administrators present: Donna Oberg, Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Patty O'Neil, Assistant Superintendent Learning & Teaching; Dr. Kent Mutchler, Superintendent.

Others present: None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 June 23, 2014

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the minutes were approved as presented.

4. DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE FUTURE CONSIDERATION

4.1 Policy 0170, Bylaw 0175.1 School Board Conferences, Conventions & Workshops

This policy was reviewed by committee member Juby and Superintendent Mutchler and similar policies from other districts were obtained. Wording was inserted into this policy for possible recommendation that would make it consistent with similar policies for certified staff in the district. There were also some suggestions of some wording from a similar policy from some Atlanta, Georgia public schools, some of which might be redundant. It was suggested that the policy, to bring it consistent with the certified policy, be added and that the additional language be added to this policy. The policy was recommended as changed to go forward to the whole Board at an upcoming meeting.

Motion by McCormick, second by Juby, and with unanimous consent, the policy was approved to move forward to the Board as presented.

4.2 Policy 6230, Budget Hearing

Mrs. Oberg presented this policy with some updated language. Committee members discussed the changes as positive and as bringing the policy into consistency with what we do. A suggestion was made to add "budget" after the word "proposed". With changes, it was recommended that this be taken to the entire Board at an upcoming meeting.

Motion by Juby, second by McCormick, and with unanimous consent, the policy was approved to move forward to the Board as presented.

4.3 Policy 8390, Animals on District Property

Ms. Giarrante, Director of Student Services, presented this as a new policy regarding service animals. Anne explained that the purpose of the animal needed to be approved, the handler needed a background check, animal records needed to be up to date, there needed to be something written about transporting of the animal and possible removal of the animal. Committee comments included: Will we have a policy for regular animals? (Yes.) When? (We are working on that.) Do we have a policy for liability? (We will address this at the next meeting.) There is concern over animals that come on property or are in parades, such as the Homecoming Parade. Is the animals use stated in the IEP? (Could be, will check on that.)

