

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, November 26, 2024

1. Policy Updates

The Board of Education, through its Policy Committee, has been working to review and update its current policies leading to a complete restructuring of the Policy Manual. In alignment with this process, the Superintendent will be reviewing and updating existing administrative procedures. The policies attached have been sent out for circulation as Notice of Motion, and no comments were received in the timeline allotted.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information, and that Policies #1.10, #1.15 and #1.20 be approved for insertion into the Policy Manual, and that Policy #7.35 be permanently removed from the Policy Manual.



Board Report

Date: November 26, 2024
To: Board of Education – Public Meeting
From: Karim Hachlaf, Superintendent
Subject: Policy Updates

Background:

The Policy Committee presented the following draft policies to the Board at the November 12th, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting:

1. Updated Policy #1.10 – District Policy and Policy Development
2. Updated Policy #1.15 – Supporting Trustee Learning and Professional Development Opportunities
3. Updated Policy #1.20 – Appeal of Decisions Bylaw
4. Deletion of Policy #7.35 - Bylaw No.3

The Board approved the circulation of the draft policies through a Notice of Motion, which was released on November 14, 2024. Feedback or comments were to be received by November 21, 2024. No feedback was received for Board consideration.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information, and that updated Policies #1.10, #1.15 and #1.20 be approved for insertion into the Policy Manual, and that Policy #7.35 be permanently removed from the Policy Manual.



POLICY #1.10

DISTRICT POLICY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

PREAMBLE

The primary responsibility of the Board of Education in its provision of education for students is the determination of policies which direct the operations of the Burnaby School District's human and physical resources. The elected Trustees are responsible for the formulation of policies and are aided in this task by the Superintendent and administrative staff. The role of the Superintendent and administrative staff is to assist in the development of policy and then oversee the implementation and monitoring of Board policies.

POLICY

THE BOARD DEVELOPS AND MAINTAINS ITS POLICIES TO PROVIDE A PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE BOARD'S INTENT. POLICIES ARE GENERALLY BROAD ENOUGH TO ALLOW FOR DISCRETIONARY ACTION, YET SPECIFIC ENOUGH TO PROVIDE CLEAR DIRECTION TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING POLICY DECISIONS OF THE BOARD. GENERALLY SPEAKING, GOOD POLICIES:

1. PROVIDE A CLEAR STATEMENT OF INTENT;
2. ARE BASED ON BELIEFS, PRINCIPLES AND VALUES;
3. PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR ACTION;
4. ALLOW FOR DISCRETION;
5. ARE CONCERNED WITH THE FUTURE;
6. ALIGN WITH THE RIGHTS OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY AS PER HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION, AS WELL AS OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS, INCLUDING THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD.
7. ARE DYNAMIC AND EVOLVING.

THE BOARD MAY INCLUDE A POLICY PREAMBLE AS AN INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT THAT EXPLAINS THE POLICY PURPOSE AND UNDERLYING PHILOSOPHY. THE PREAMBLE STATEMENT HELPS TO EXPLAIN THE REASONS FOR AND INTENT OF THE POLICY, WHICH READ WITH THE REGULATIONS CLARIFIES THE APPLICATION OF THE POLICY STATEMENT.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

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5. Trustees shall report their findin through:
 - a. an oral report at a mee

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d. Board Consent:

Parents, guardians or such other persons shall not use the roadways provided for that purpose without the consent of the Board in writing.

2. No person shall:

a. Speed Limit:

Operate any motor vehicle or ride any bicycle on any road administered by the Board at a greater speed than the posted speed limit.

b. Parking:

Park or otherwise leave unattended any motor vehicle or bicycle administered by the Board except in a designated parking area unless permission in writing so to do is obtained from the Board.

c. Trespassing:

i. Enter upon any properties owned or controlled by the Board without the bona fide students of that school or guardians of students registered at that school.



