

**DANBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14, 2018**

Present: Rachel Chaleski, David Metrena, Amy Spallino

Absent: Kathleen Molinaro

Also Present: Gladys Cooper, Richard Jannelli, Patrick Johnston, Frederick Karrat, Emanuela Palmares, Farley Santos, Dr. Sal Pascarella, Kevin Walston, Joe Martino, Kim Thompson, Kelly Truchsess, Dr. Kara Casimiro

R. Chaleski called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. and turned it over to K. Truchsess, who referred to revisions to Policy 7-234: Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting made to comply with new state law. The revised policy sets forth procedure of mandatory reporting by all employees of the Board of Education and will be regularly reviewed to ensure compliance.

K. Walston updated the committee on definitions of terms and procedures set forth by Policy 7-232: Truancy, under which parents will be annually notified of their obligations. School personnel will engage with students and families to investigate, remedy and monitor truancy and chronic absenteeism. This will replace the current policy in its entirety upon board approval.

K. Walston explained the new Policy 7-127: Student Data Protection & Privacy/Cloud Based Issues that sets procedure to protect student information and in the event of a breach. J. Martino stressed the need for a standard contract at the state level in operating with numerous third-party vendors. Copies of the old and revised/new policies were distributed. Administration answered several questions of the committee and board members for clarification purposes.

R. Chaleski asked for a motion to present the new and revised policies to the full board at the next regular board meeting. A. Spallino moved, seconded by D. Metrena. The motion carried at 6:48 p.m.

A. Spallino moved, seconded by D. Metrena, to adjourn the November 14 Policy Committee Meeting. The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Rachel Chaleski, Secretary