

# **GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #87**

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#### POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

# District Administrative Center Tuesday, May 27, 2025

The Policy Committee held its monthly meeting at The Robert C Stevens Administrative Center on Tuesday, May 27, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

#### In attendance:

Reverend James Shannon,
Board Member & Chair
Cindy Christensen, Committee Member
Richard Mazzolini, Committee Member
Peter Nolan, Board Member
Janet Cook, Assistant Superintendent
for Student Services

Josh Chambers, Asst. Superintendent for Human Resources Diana Flint, Recording Secretary

Absent: Kermit Eby, Board Member

Quorum requirements were met and the meeting was able to proceed.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Policy Committee meeting for April 28, 2025 were reviewed.

Action: Motion made to accept minutes - Mazzolini, seconded -, Nolan and carried (all ayes).

# Public Participation (Agenda Related)

Hearing no requests to speak, public participation was then closed.

## **Items for Discussion**

Chambers stated the 2025-2026 Policy Calendar had been shared in the agenda packet and reminded everyone there would be no meeting held in June or July. He then discussed the responsibilities of the committee; who had voting rights; and where potential recommendations can be generated from – noting that the majority are through the service with P.R.E.S.S. Discussion also took place on meetings being open to the public.

Policy 7:70 Attendance and Truancy had minor stylistic changes recommended with the exception of the third paragraph on page 1 of 3. Additional reasons for an absence were incorporated by P.R.E.S.S.

Policy 7:190 Student Behavior relocated language from Item 5 on page 3 of 9 to create a new Item 6 with more detailed language on sexting. In addition, the paragraph on corporal punishment on page 6 was rewritten for clarification purposes. Request made to change the last paragraph on page 7 of 9 -- under delegation of authority, change "his or her" to "their."

Administrative Procedure 6:280-AP5 *Mandatory Final Assessment* had changes recommended by the Teaching and Learning Department. Currently there was flexibility for teachers to determine if seniors had to take finals, in particular those for second semester based on their current grade. The Grading and Assessment Committee felt that seniors should be taking finals. Discussion took place on exam versions, when tests would be taken, and potential issues.

Cook joined the meeting at 6:12 and spoke on the following two agenda items.

Administrative Procedure 7:140-AP3 Use of Canine Units for Schoolwide Grounds, Lockers and/or Automobiles is recommended for revision to keep the district transparent with the community. Previously it was only applicable to police canine units. The district is bringing in an outside company to have a canine with a handler walking the grounds. Discussion took place on what the dogs are looking for and Illinois School Code regarding investigations. Request made to change the word "searched" in Item 3 to "patrolled." Additional request to have verbiage in Item 5 changes from "in the building" to "on school grounds."

Policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment had new verbiage recommended based on recent Title IX changes such as the list of classified categories and new reference items added. A section was added on page 4 of 7 the district worked on with building administrators to update language within student handbooks. It now compliments such and will not confuse individuals. Discussion took place on an order of protection being removed from the discrimination list.

Cook turned the agenda back over to Chambers.

Policy 5:240 Suspensions relates to licensed staff. The policy had not been reviewed in some time so the district deferred it to our attorney for input. No changes were recommended. It is being brought forward to show that it is current. Request made to delete the term "his/her" throughout the document before the word "designee." Additional request to change term "he or she" to "they." Suggested to bring agenda Item 8 back to the next committee meeting for further review.

Policy 5:290 Employment Termination and Suspensions relates to educational support personnel not under a collaborative agreement. It had legal and cross references updated. Request made to change the verbiage "his or her" found in three areas to "their'  $-2^{nd}$  paragraph page 1 of 3 as well as under final paycheck heading and Item 1 on page 2.

Action: Motion made to move agenda Items 1 through 9, with the exception of Item 8 (Suspensions) forward to the Board. Christensen, seconded -Mazzolini and carried (all ayes)

## Public Participation (Non-Agenda Items)

Hearing no other requests, public participation was closed on non-agenda items.

Action: Motion made to adjourn - Shannon, seconded - Mazzolini, and carried (all ayes).

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Signed:

Rev. James Shannon

Policy Committee Chairman (or designee)