

BFCCPS Governance Committee Meeting
November 17, 2008
BFCCPS Library

In attendance: Lori Clements, Anna dos Santos, Rich Frongillo, Joe Perna

Meeting began at 7:10pm

Lori and Anna are acting co-chairs until Tim's return to the Board.

The group received the minutes from the 10/08/08 meeting. Since Tim has not seen them, the minutes will be reviewed at the December meeting.

#0019 – Enrollment Policy

Anna distributed the latest version that included changes recommended by Deb Schwab. Wording changes to improve grammar or clarify meaning were identified in sections 4.1, 5.4, 6.1, and 6.7.2. The group discussed what documents would be used to verify residence in addition to the utility bills already noted. It was decided to remove the "Real Estate Purchase and Sale agreements", as recommended by Deb, and not add any other document types. Section 6.8 was rewritten to reflect current practice and was moved up to follow section 6.2. All subsequent sections were renumbered accordingly. Anna will write a short summary of the changes in the policy for the Board to use in their review of the revised policy. The policy will be presented to the Board at the December meeting.

Policy Reformatting

Rich noted that he has completed reformatting almost all of the policies currently on the website to use a consistent style. Policy 25 – Fiscal Policies and Procedures will not be reformatted since it is based on a DOE/ESE policy document. The original Word documents for Policies 26-28 were not found, so Rich will reengineer these from the PDF files available. The group discussed whether or not Policy 29 – Safety Plan was in fact a policy. The consensus was that it is not a policy, but an important procedural document. A short policy document on safety is needed and should be developed.

#0009 – Dress Code

The dress code document created by the Dress Code Task Force was reformatted into a policy document that would replace the current Policy 0009. The group had an extensive discussion on the Scope of the dress code and whether or not it applies to school sponsored events after school hours. There was general agreement that it should, but that the HOS should be given the authority to suspend some of the provisions both during school hours and for after hours school events. The Scope and Responsibility sections were modified to reflect this agreement. The Headwear section, as written by the Task Force, would prohibit winter hats from being worn on field trips. It was reworded to prohibit headwear worn inside of buildings. Section 5.3.12 was reworded to clarify is allowed only on gym days. This will be presented to the Board at the Dec. meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.