**April 7, 2017 Minutes**

1:00 to 1:05pm 1.0 Call to Order

**The meeting was called to order at 1:06 pm**

1:05 to 1:08pm 2.0 Roll Call/Establish Quorum

**Member Ryan and Member Vang we present. Member Woo walked in at 1:08 after the quorum was already established.**

1:08 to 1:12pm 3.0 Public Comment

**None**

1:12 to 1:15pm 4.0 Approval of Agenda

**Member Ryan moved to hear Transgender policy second after Gifts, Grants and Bequests. She also moved to discuss Public Statements, Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information, and Board Committees Board Bylaws until a future meeting. Lastly, Member Ryan requested to hold off on discussing Board retreats until a future meeting as well.**

1:15 to 1:18pm 5.0 Approval of Minutes

**Member Vang moved to approve the minutes, and Jessie seconded. Darrel recused himself from the vote.**

1:18 to 2:00pm 6.0 Board Policy Review

* BP 3290 Gifts, Grants and Bequests

**Members were briefed on the need for staff to develop a system for which the Board will review and approve gifts and grants to the district.**

* AR 5145.3 Student Nondiscrimination-Harassment (Raoul)

**Raoul- this entire AR follows the CSBA model except for the addition of the bullet point where we added “reenactments of human auction” in the list of examples of harassment and discrimination.**

**Member Woo- I understand the sensitivity. However, I want us to be mindful as to not limit the educational elements to teaching students about the truths and harmful effects of slavery.**

**Raoul- I can add an element in the policy that will not bar ligament pedagogical purposes for the sake of teaching about certain aspects of our history for the sake of learning from the mistakes of our past.**

**Members agree to have Raoul develop draft language and have the committee members review it.**

* BP/AR 5145.31: Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Students (Nicole)

**Nichole began by providing background on the work of her department on supporting LGBTQ students within the district by providing supports and outlined how the newly forming policy updates will better reflect that work and updates in law. She stated that her team is still working on finalizing the policy before bringing it to the Board, and listed out how she has engaged with the community around the proposed changes.**

**Victoria Flores mentioned that the district has only one staff person leading the work around supporting LGBTQ students who feel they are in a hostile school environment, and that position is solely possible thanks to a grant from The California Endowment.**

**Member Ryan asked staff start collecting and sharing the data in a way that we can use it to leverage LCFF funds in the future.**

**Nichole- there are not very many changes to the initial policy. But there are some changes that are more controversial, and they have to do with the Infinite Campus (database) Name and Gender Update form. Students can request to have their name and gender changed, but staff warn them that their parents can log in and see any of those changes. We are working on the Update form still because there are a couple glitches still. Another issue that we are working out is information to share with parents and students that outline what is a legal document and what is not. This is important because the district can change their preferred name, and have it appear on Infinite Campus, but the district cannot change the legal transcript and other documents. There has been pushback around this from school sites stating that Yearbooks and other such cultural artifacts are legal documents, but indeed they are not. There is a lot of misinformation so we are working to educate individuals. The bathroom and locker room issue us still very huge.**

**Raoul- I have been working with Principals on developing a summer training around hostile environments this summer and anything you can do around that would be helpful.**

**Member Ryan- Can that be mandatory?**

**Raoul- That is what I am trying to do.**

**Member Ryan- Is there anything in this draft that highlights the need to get away from Father/Daughter and Mother/son dances.**

**Nichole- No. That is a very new issue that is coming forward. And there is not a clear spot to put that in this policy. But that is something that we can recommend.**

**Mai motioned to approve the draft revisions, and Darrel seconded.**

* BP/AR 6162.7: Use of Technology in Instruction (Raoul)

**The committee requested that the use of technology in instruction and Student use of IT together.**

**Raoul- the Use of Tech Policy is being changed so there is a little more specificity to outline the goals of why we are using tech for problem solving, increased collaboration and the alike to keep up with common core language. There really isn’t much change in the existing policy.**

**Member Ryan requested that redlined copies be presented to the committee in the future.**

**Raoul- the Student Use of Technology contains a little more in changes.**

**Jessie requested that Elliot Lopez come back to the committee to present.**

* BP/AR 6163.4: Student Use of IT (Raoul)

2:00 to 2:30pm 7.0 Board Bylaws Review

* BB 9000: Role of the Board (Powers and Responsibilities)
* ~~BB 9010: Public Statements~~
* ~~BB 9011: Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information~~
* ~~BP 9130: Board Committees~~

~~2:30 to 2:40pm~~ ~~8.0 Effective Governance and Board Retreats~~

2:40 to 2:50pm 9:0 Legislative Rapid Response

**Member Ryan- The district just adopted the policy platform for the district, and we are already thick into committees. However, I would like to make one amendment to the platform. Based upon for strategic plan and funding priorities, etc, I have two additions to what is already on the platform focused on equity. We need a focus on policies that will close achievement gaps and ensure safe schools. We also need a category in there that is focused on college readiness and postsecondary pathways. It is key to everything in our strategic plan.**

**Member Vang- This is great to hear that we have a policy platform for the district and it is a valuable tool to make sure we are using.**

**Member Ryan- We need to focus on how we work to refine a legislative platform moving forward so board members have an active role in outlining that platform. There is much more room for the district to become more politically savvy at the state level. I would also like to reevaluate who we use to be our contract lobbyist and make sure that they are better leveraging the board members voices to help testify.**

**Nathaniel- The Board Executive Committee stated that they would like to see how the Policy and Governance Committee can begin to write letters either for or against proposed legislation.**

2:50 to 2:55pm 10.0 Other

**None**

2:55 to 2:59pm 11.0 Next Meeting

**To be determined**

3:00pm 12.0 Adjourn

**Adjourned at 2:46 pm.**