

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE  
December 7, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. with the following people present: Sharon Cox (chair), Charles Haughey, Pat O'Neill, Sagar Sanghvi, George Margolies, Glenda Rose (recorder), Harriet Potosky, Lori-Christina Webb, Susan Falkenhan, Karen Harvey, Betsy Brown, Shirley Brandon, Matt Tronzano, Karen Crawford, Dale Fulton, Diane Mohr, Frieda Lacey, and Robin Confino.

Update on Implementation of Policy IKA -*Grading and Reporting*

The committee discussed the following issues:

1. Collect data for five years to determine affect of policy
2. Ascertain status of implementation of policy in high schools
3. Develop a consensus on reteaching and reassessing
4. Establish grading scales
5. Delineate homework

Senior staff voiced a concern about full implementation of the policy in high schools starting with the next school year. The committee was concerned about the uncertainty and wanted a clear and confident message sent to administrators in order for them to communicate to teachers and students.

There was a brief discussion about grades being objective rather than subjective. The committee agreed that their goal is consistency in grading. It was decided that grading scales will be discussed at the next update for the committee.

Draft Regulation ACA-RA -*Human Relations*

The committee reviewed the draft and made several editorial changes and suggestions for clarification.

Overarching Policy on Human Resources

The committee reviewed the draft of Policy GM. The revised policy will come back to the committee, and tentative approval will be scheduled for a future Board meeting.

January 4, 2005, Meeting

- Update on Policy IKA -*Grading and Reporting*
- Update on Policy IOB -*Special Education Policy*
- GAA -*Human Resources*
- List of preliminary policies to rescind

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.