

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
POLICY COMMITTEE**

December 14, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. at Rockville High School with the following people present: Sharon Cox (chair), Pat O'Neill, George Margolies, Glenda Rose (recorder), Lori-Christina Webb, Pat Kelly, Mike Cohen, Betsy Brown, Diane Mohr, Jody Leleck, Laura Steinberg, Jane Butler, Robin Confino, Stephanie Williams, Janine Bacquie, Kathy Lazor, Jody Silvio, Terri McCauley, Deeva Garel, Wayne Goldstein, and Mark Adelman.

**Policy JPG – Wellness**

Based on federal legislation, every school district must have a policy in place by September 2006. The committee discussed nutrition, physical activity, and foods available at school which are not sold in the cafeteria. The policy is scheduled for tentative action by the Board of Education on January 10, 2006.

**Policy ABA – Community Involvement**

The committee reviewed Draft 10 and the specific language that was recommended to staff. The committee agreed that all concerns had been addressed, and the policy will be scheduled for tentative action at the next agenda-setting meeting.

**Policy JEB – Early Entrance to Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and First Grade**

Staff reported to the committee that the Maryland State Department of Education thought it was reasonable to set a six-week period beyond the admission date to screen for early admission. The committee agreed to bring the policy to the January 10, 2006, Board of Education meeting for *tentative* action in order to get public comments on this substantive change to the policy. The final action will be scheduled for March 2006.

**Update on Electronic Grade Book**

Staff demonstrated the grade book (Pinnacle Plus) highlighting its flexibility for teachers and ease of data entry. The program will be field tested in four secondary schools during the second semester. After an evaluation of the field test, full secondary school implementation in the fall with training and monitoring. Staff agreed to follow up to determine the archival period of student information.

**Policy BNB – Board Staff Management and Operations**

The committee reviewed the changes and agreed that the policy is ready to be scheduled for tentative action at a future Board meeting.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting was subsequently changed to January 12, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.

1. Update on Implementation of Policy IKA – *Grading and Reporting*
2. Review Policy IOB and Regulation IOB-RA –  
*Education of Students with Disabilities*
3. Review Policy IQD – *Academic Eligibility for Extracurricular Activities*
4. Update on Loss of Credit

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.