Policy and Risk Management Committee
OEG IMC – January 11, 2016 – 6:34 p.m.

Minutes

Membership: Steve Obershaw, Connie Valenza, Arlene Siss, Art Beaulieu, Colleen McCabe

I. Minutes from the November 9, 2015 meeting were reviewed and accepted as printed.

II. Policy Issues: Superintendent Valenza started the meeting with discussion on the Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship Policy. This new policy requires approval by DPI. Once our board approves the first reading, the policy will be sent to DPI for approval. Once the approval has gone through DPI, the policy will be brought back to the board for second and final reading. Committee members were all in agreement to approve the first reading and go to the full board with the policy.

Superintendent Valenza gave a brief overview of a packet of policies for school board operations and interaction that will be brought to the board in the near future. The committee members discussed what was reviewed during the retreat.
One new item will be board member input during the monthly school board meetings on the upcoming school board agendas. The Board President will have the authority to make the final decision on items for the school board agenda. The Board President and Superintendent will discuss and decide matters for future agendas.
Steve Obershaw discussed the support we receive from WASB and their guidelines. Both are very helpful. The question was brought up if we needed or wanted a WASB facilitator to lead the board retreats when working with policies. At the April Policy & Risk Management Committee Meeting the members will discuss WASB involvement. Steve mentioned that possibly after each election the board should also define/discuss roles, ethics, etc. associated with being a school board member. Superintendent Valenza stated that she can meet with all the candidates after each election to have everyone on the same page and up to speed regarding school board.

III. Superintendent Valenza updated the members on the Facilities Project. She shared slides on the progress at Westview and discussed the upcoming meetings that will be taking place with PRA and Kraemer Brothers. Very exciting to watch such progress being made!

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm

Recorded by Lynne Tanner