

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting
September 17, 2019

Item C-1-d

The Arlington School Board convened on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at 2:00 PM at 2110 Washington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia.

Present were:

Tannia Talento, Chair
Barbara Kanninen, Member
Nancy Van Doren, Member

Also present were:

Julia Burgos, Chief of Staff

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM, and the subcommittee reviewed nine policies.

Staff had recommended retiring Policy I-1.33 Instruction, and the subcommittee discussed this policy and recommendation. It was suggested that staff go back and consider restructuring this policy and other instructional policies so that they are better aligned. Policies I-1.35 Resources and I-7.2.5.31 Support, Resources, and Extended Time, were also shared with the subcommittee and will be considered as part of this realignment.

The committee then reviewed proposed reviewed changes to the following policies, I-11.5.2.31 Student Acceleration Opportunities and I-7.2.2 Gifted Services, and agreed that they are ready to move forward through the review process. Also discussed was Policy Implementation Procedure (PIP) I-7.34 PIP-1 Underage Grade One Placement, which does not align well with the associated Policy I-1.34 Early Childhood Preschool Programs.

The group reviewed staff revisions to Policy J-8.3.1 School Health Services. The subcommittee agreed it should go back to the review process, including being shared with stakeholder groups for review. Minor changes were presented to Policy M-10 Planetarium, and the subcommittee recommended ensuring it aligns with the Planetarium Letter of Agreement. Proposed revisions to Policy I-9.1 Selection of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials and three associated PIPs were also reviewed by the subcommittee. The primary recommendation was to expand the policy and PIPs to include all forms of instructional materials rather than just focusing on textbooks. The final policy and PIP discussed at this meeting were L-3 Charter Schools and L-3 PIP-1 Charter Schools. The subcommittee asked that the Finance Department review the policy in terms of fees.

Ms. Burgos then briefly reviewed updates to the Engage web page and encouraged Board members to review the changes. She also noted that the equity policy will be shared with stakeholders soon.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Melanie Elliott, Clerk
Arlington School Board

Tannia Talento, Chair
Arlington School Board