

**Policy Committee Meeting
Central Office – Mr. Roy’s Office
May 21, 2018
MINUTES**

Present: N. Carlow, R. Deakin, A. Dube, M. Nadeau, M. Roy, R. Theriault

Absent: M. Moses

The meeting opened at 4:31 p.m.

JKF – Disciplinary Removals of Students with Disabilities and JKF-R – Disciplinary Removal of Students with Disabilities: Mr. Roy and Ms. Theriault had a conference call with Isabel Eckman, Esq., Drummond/Woodsum. Ms. Eckman explained that JKF and its administrative procedure were written specifically for special education students. She did not recommend any changes to language in the policy other than changing the word “child” to “student” and to updating the legal reference. There are no special services required by law for 504 students.

She did state that the name of the policy could be changed for clarity. It could be changed by adding the words Special Education to the title.

The Committee did not feel these were substantive changes, so the policy will not need to go for first reading. The Board will be notified of the review.

There are two policies/administrative procedures being reviewed by the principals. It is hoped they will be brought back to this committee before July. There are two policies being developed by MSMA in conjunction with Drummond/Woodsum. These two policies will be brought to Policy once the committee is reformed.

There was a brief discussion about bullying and how it can be monitored outside of school. There was also concern about students and staff coming forward with information and feeling safe in doing so. Mr. Roy explained that he is meeting with the Director of Technology and the District’s Counsel to discuss software that will help detect some “red flag” language/issues.

Moved by Mr. Nadeau; seconded by Mr. Deakin to accept the changes as recommended by counsel and to adjourn.

VOTED: Yes, Unanimously

The meeting ended at 4:47p.m.