POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING Central Office – Mr. Roy's Office March 20, 2017 MINUTES

**PRESENT:** J. Bruni (arrived late), A. Dube, E. DeCotiis, C. Libby, T. Hustus,

M. Roy, R. Theriault

**Also Present:** N. Carlow, R. Deakin

**ABSENT:** S. Champagne

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Alan Dube at 5:19 p.m.

**IMGA** (ACAC) – Service Animals in Schools: The Drummond/Woodsum sample policy was reviewed and the decision was made to use the D/W sample. Moved by Charlene Libby to accept the D/W version of ACAC and delete IMGA; seconded by Ellen DeCotiis. Voted: All in favor.

**IMG – Animal Policy:** The Committee again reviewed the nurses' concerns. The principal of the school makes the determination of whether to permit an animal presentation. Parents will be notified if any animal will be in the building and parents are advised to notify the school if they have any concerns.

**JLF – Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect:** JLF is a recommended policy. When this recommended policy was discussed last year, the Policy Committee decided not to recommend adoption because school employees are mandated reporters by law. The Committee again discussed the pros and cons of adopting this policy. <u>Moved by Charlene Libby to adopt the MSMA sample policy JLF; seconded by Julie Bruni</u>. Voted: All in favor.

**JLF-R – Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect Administrative Procedure:** The sample procedure was reviewed. Everything in the procedure was covered in the policy. The sample administrative procedure was redundant, so the procedure was deemed as not necessary.

**JLF-E – Child Abuse Reporting Form:** The current form being used by the schools will be coded as JLF-E.

**JICK – Bullying & Cyberbullying in Schools and JICK-R:** The current MSAD 6 policy and the MSMA sample policy, as well as the administrative procedure, were compared. Rae Theriault will contact Charlotte Bates to see when this sample policy was last updated. This policy and procedure will be reviewed further at the next meeting.

The meeting ended at 6:30 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** April 3, 2017