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## Policy Committee Meeting Minutes October 25, 2023

A meeting of the Bristol Board of Education Regular Policy Committee was held on October 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 36 of the Bristol Board of Education and via the Zoom Meeting Platform.

**PRESENT:** Committee members: Shelby Pons, Kristen Giantonio, Jill Fitzsimons-Bula

**ALSO PRESENT:** Commissioners: Jennifer Dube, Maria Simmons, Russell Anderson (zoom), Dr. Michael Dietter, Dr. Catherine Carbone.

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

On a motion Commissioner Pons and seconded by Commissioner Fitzsimons-Bula for discussion. The motion was later amended by Commissioner Pons to include revisions of the September 27th meeting. The minutes will be revised and resubmitted.

**3. Public Comment:** There was no public comment this evening.

**4. Policy 1230 - Community Relations -** Dr. Dietter spoke to the listed policies.

They are all independent of themselves and very separate policies pertaining to alcohol on school grounds. Dr. Carbone will contact Atty. Ritter with requests made by Commissioners pertaining to the policies related to the sale of alcohol on school grounds.

**5. Policy 1316 - Conduct on School Property -** Discussion relative to Policy 1230.

**6. Policy 3515 - Community Use of School Facilities -** Discussion relative to Policy 1230.

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7. **Policy 4118.231 - Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace - Discussion relative to Policy 1230.**
8. **Policy 5131.6 - Alcohol Use, Drugs, and Tobacco - Discussion relative to Policy 1230.**
9. **Discipline and Recess Model Policy 5144.4:**  
On a motion by Commissioner Pons and seconded by Commissioner Fitzsimons-Bula this item was opened for discussion. After discussing the language in both the model policy and the current BPS policy there was a motion by Commissioner Giantonio and seconded by Commissioner Pons to table this item for further discussion for the next meeting and for Commissioners to bring specific questions regarding Policy 5144.4.
10. **Menstrual Product Update:**  
On a motion by Commissioner Pons and seconded by Commissioner Giantonio this item was tabled until next month's Policy Meeting.
11. **HB 6822:**  
On a motion by Commissioner Pons and seconded by Commissioner Fitzsimons-Bula this item was tabled until next month's Policy Meeting.
12. **Adjournment:**  
The Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by Commissioner Pons.

Submitted by:  
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