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THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION PHILADELPHIA, PA

AUGUST 11, 2017

A policy committee meeting was held by the School Reform Commission on August 11, 2017 in conference room 1080 of the School District of Philadelphia Education Center, 440 North Broad Street.

The meeting was convened at 10:30 a.m. by Commissioner McGinley.

Commissioner McGinley made an opening statement acknowledging Uri Monson, Chief Financial Officer as the Superintendent's designee for this meeting and Colin Haviland, Assistant General Counsel, who is representing the Office of General Counsel. Commissioner McGinley began identifying the policies on the agenda and the how the meeting would proceed. He indicated that copies of the policies are available at the meeting and in advance of the meeting on the SRC website. Commissioner McGinley explained that the meeting would begin with staff presentations of specific changes proposed to the policies that were on the agenda. He also reminded everyone there would be additional opportunities at the next two Action meetings to speak on these policies prior to their adoption.

Commissioner McGinley invited Uri Monson, Chief Financial Officer, to make comments.

Uri thanked Chair Wilkerson and Commissioner McGinley and the members of the District's leadership team for their work on revising and updating the policies on the agenda. Mr. Monson noted that Policy 300 added to the agenda by staff. Mr. Monson requested the Policy Committee not combine Policies 103 and 103.1 and that they review them as separate policies. Mr. Monson recommended the repeal of Policy 218.2 and combining it with Policy 218. Mr. Monson also noted Policy 800 has been withdrawn by staff.

Colin Haviland Assistant General Counsel, noted that the District was making an audio recording of the policy committee meeting.

Members present: Commissioner McGinley (Chair of the Policy Committee), Chair Wilkerson, Uri Monson (designee for the Superintendent) – 3

Members Absent: 0

Commissioner McGinley introduced **Karyn Lynch**, Chief of Student Support Services, who provided an overview of the changes to Policies 103, 103.1, 117, 145, 202 and 218.

Commissioner McGinley introduced **Louis Bellardine**, Chief Talent Officer, who provided an overview of Policy 300, which is a new Policy. Mr. Bellardine also provided an overview of the changes to Policies 333, 338, 338.1 and 351.

Commissioner McGinley opened the floor to the public for presentation of statements.

Tomika Anglin commented on Policy 145 and stated the policy does not speak to the condition of the building. Ms. Anglin also requested the District work with the Healthy Schools Initiative to upgrade and strengthen the wellness policy to include the input and guidance of parent, students and staff.

Cindy Farlino, a representative of the Healthy Schools Initiative, commented on Policy 145 and requested all data and information be fully and openly available to the public and that an Educational Facilities Condition Advisory Committee be established.

Commissioner McGinley recommends that Policies 103, 103.1, 117, 145, 201, 218, 221, 222, 300, 333, 338, 338.1 and 351 move forward to the SRC.

Commissioner McGinley asked **Uri Monson**, Chief Financial Officer to review the list of policies on the agenda for the next Policy Committee meeting.

Mr. Monson stated the tentative list of policies up for discussion at the next meeting would be Policies 105.2, 114, 115, 138, 204, 207, 209, 227, 233, 237, 307, 309, 810.2 and 818. He also stated materials for the October 5th meeting will be posted publically on **August 31st**.

Mr. Monson additionally addressed Policy 138 stating it will be put forth for public input and consideration by the Committee during the October 5th meeting. Mr. Monson also stated Policy 306 is being recommended for elimination by the Office of Talent.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:08 p.m.

Commissioner McGinley announced that the next Policy Committee meeting of the School Reform Commission is Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Christopher McGinley, Chair
Policy Committee