South Middleton School District Policy Committee Meeting

22 March 2021- 6pm

Attending:

Members Present: Edith Rob (Chair), Bethanne Sellers, and Denise

MacIvor, Liz Knouse (Board President, Attending Ex-officio)

Members Absent: Dr. Strine

Board Members Present: None

Administration, Staff: Mrs. Shaver-Durham, Mr. Alex Smith

Guest Teachers: Paula Michalik

Members of the Public in Attendance: 31 parents

Old Business: The board approved policies 000-008 March 16, 2021

New Business:

- The 100-108,150 policies were reviewed, discussed based upon suggestions provided by committee members, the Superintendent, the Director of Curriculum, Mrs. Melanie Shaver-Durham and the Director of Student Services, Mr. Alex Smith and Paula Michalik, President SMEA:
- 100 Strategic Plan
- 102 Academic Standards
- 103.1 Nondiscrimination -Qualified Students with Disabilities
- 105 Curriculum
- 105.2 Exemption from Instruction
- 106 Planned Instruction

- 108 Adoption of Textbooks
- 150 Title I Comparability of Services
- The following policies were recommended to be retired by block vote as they were either combined with other policies listed above or moved to an Administrative Regulation as they were not based upon school code: 100.1 Student Safety Plan, 101 Mission Statement, 101.1 Philosophy of Education, 102.1 Educational Goals, 105.1 Curriculum Review by Parents/Guardians and Students, 105.3 Alternatives to Dissection, and 107 Adoption for Planned Instruction

There were two questions by Mrs. Katrina Scavone: 1) why do policies last for 3-5 years and the answer was because it takes almost 2 years to revise them and 2) will Dr. Sessoms, the Diversity Consultant be reviewing the policies and the answer was no, only Stock & Leader attorneys review.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2021.

Mrs. Liz Knouse joined the meeting at 7:15pm and the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Minutes submitted by Edith Rob 3/23/21