

EPC / Regular Meeting of the Board March 10, 2020

Policy Committee Updates and Recommendations

Re: Notice of Revision and/or Abandonment of Board Policies

Recommended for Revision

1) Policy 240 – Board Representatives and Participation in Community/Organization Meetings

The proposed revision is to update the Policy to provide clarity on the role of Trustees on Community/Organization Meetings as well as PAC and school district committees. Adding a reference to PAC and school district committees to Policy 240, aligns the role of the Board representatives on all committees.

2) Policy 641 – Disposal of Land or Improvements

The proposed revision is to change the language regarding appraisals to reflect: "Contract up to two independent Property Appraisals" as this will enable more flexibility in property disposal while still ensuring prudent oversight on property assessment. The proposed change also recognizes that real estate agents are engaged in assisting to assess fair market value given the local real estate market adding an additional check and balance.

3) Policy 680 – Transportation Assistance

The proposed revisions include changes that remove limitations for families to access transportation assistance where a bus route does not exist. Additionally, the proposed policy revision recognizes SD10's remote and rural context and sets maximum transportation assistance daily rate limits. This enables greater sustainability in providing transportation assistance as well as fiscal sustainability.

New Policies Recommended for Approval

4) Policy 530 – Whistleblower

This policy aligns with other policies and practices in the district that are enshrined in Board policy, District Protocol, or collective agreements for current employees who bring forward concerns. The proposed policy allows employees of the district to report egregious acts and have these egregious acts investigated. The policy notes that reports brought forward in good faith will be investigated and that the employee who brings forward the concern will be treated in a safe, secure and supportive working environment.

5) Policy 623 – Procurement

This policy has been created to reflect the Board's and the District's commitment in purchasing aligned with the operational needs of the school district while realizing overall best value for the school district.