


INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 271
Bloomington, Minnesota

REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD ACTION

DATE OF BOARD MEETING: May 22, 2017

SUBJECT: Deletion of Current Policy 603, Pathways Advisory Committee

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Academic Services

APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CABINET MEMBER: Eric Melby 
Assistant Superintendent

RESOLUTION FOR BOARD TO ADOPT:

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District deletes current Policy 603, Pathways Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERINTENDENT:

Approve. 

BACKGROUND:

It is recommended that the Board approve the deletion of the current Policy 603, Pathways Advisory Committee. Minn. Stat. § 120B.11 requires school districts to adopt a comprehensive long term strategic plan that addresses the review of curriculum, instruction, student achievement, and assessment. Current Policy 603 has been incorporated in the Regulations of new Policy 616 School District System Accountability.

On May 10, 2017, the School Board Policy Committee reviewed and approved the recommendation of Administration to delete this policy.

DELETE - INCORPORATED IN THE REGULATION OF NEW POLICY 616 SCHOOL DISTRICT SYSTEM ACCOUNTABILITY

Adopted: _____ December 11, 1984
Revised: _____ April 11, 1989
_____ September 8, 1992
_____ July 28, 2008
_____ September 20, 2010
School Board Revised: _____ October 27, 2014
_____ May 2017 Recommend Delete
Contact Person: _____ Assistant Superintendent

~~POLICY 603~~ _____ ~~PATHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE~~

~~I.~~ _____ ~~PURPOSE~~

_____ ~~This Policy ensures Bloomington Public Schools, in accordance with the strategic plan, has the highest quality curriculum and provides direction for continuous review and improvement of the school curriculum.~~

~~II.~~ _____ ~~GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY~~

_____ ~~The goals and objectives of the education program of the District as set by the School Board will be met by developing appropriate curriculum.~~

~~III.~~ _____ ~~RESPONSIBILITY~~

_____ ~~A. The Districts Pathways Advisory Committee of the School Board meets the requirements of Mn. Stat. 120B.11 and other relevant portions of 120B, and is the equivalent of the district advisory committee described therein. The superintendent/designee exercises supervision of curriculum development and recommends curriculum to the School Board, with input from the Pathways Advisory Committee. The Pathways Advisory Committee may also respond to requests for assistance by the superintendent/designee. Committee membership shall to the extent possible reflect the community, its diversity and the diversity of its learning sites. To the extent possible, the committee shall include parents, staff, students, Community and Administration, but parents of children enrolled in the District past or present, shall comprise at least two thirds of its voting members.~~

- ~~B. The superintendent/designee is responsible for curriculum development and for determining the most effective way of conducting research on the Districts curriculum needs and establishing a long range curriculum development program. Timelines shall be determined by the superintendent/designee that will provide for periodic reviews of each curriculum area.~~

- ~~C. In developing curriculum, the District will:
 - ~~1. Provide for articulation of courses of study from PreK through adult.~~
 - ~~2. Identify essential standards for each subject area, course, and grade level.~~
 - ~~3. Ensure evaluation of curriculum and programs to provide feedback for continuous improvement of both.~~
 - ~~4. Provide a program for ongoing monitoring of individual student progress.~~
 - ~~5. Provide for specific, particular, and special needs of all members of the student community.~~
 - ~~6. Integrate required and elective course standards in the scope and sequence of the District curriculum.~~
 - ~~7. Consider and meet all requirements of the State and Federal law and regulations.~~~~

- ~~D. The superintendent/designee will inform the School Board of all state mandated curriculum changes and will also recommend to the School Board discretionary changes.~~

- ~~E. The superintendent/designee has discretionary authority to implement School Board Policy relating to curriculum development.~~

- ~~1. Committee members will be nominated by their building principal in consultation with the PTSA or other equivalent parent organization. Nominee names will be sent to the Superintendent/designee.~~
- ~~2. The Superintendent/designee will prepare a list of nominees and submit it to the School Board for its approval.~~

~~C. Term of Office~~

- ~~1. Committee representatives will serve up to two years.~~
- ~~2. If a school site has difficulty recruiting a representative, the School Board may, at its discretion, reappoint a member for additional terms, providing such re-appointment is consistent with Sections I A. 6 above.~~

~~D. Leadership~~

- ~~1. The committee will annually elect a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary, unless appointed by the School Board.~~
- ~~2. The Chair will ask for nominations for office for the succeeding year at the last committee meeting. Nominations for all offices will be collected by the Chair and published to committee members.~~
- ~~3. The Chair will perform duties required by the Rules of Order. Vice Chair will perform the duties of the Chair in his/her absence or incapacity. If Vice Chair is absent, the Superintendent/designee will perform the duties of the Chair in his/her absence or incapacity.~~
- ~~4. The Chair and Superintendent/designee shall jointly prepare agendas for the committee meeting.~~

~~H. FUNCTIONS~~

- ~~A. The Pathways Advisory Committee serves as a District advisory committee to the School Board. The committee will make recommendations to the School Board on matters related to curriculum and instruction, including:~~

~~1. Developing District goals including:~~

~~a. Use of best practices,~~

~~b. District curriculum scope and sequence, and~~

~~c. Achievement for students as a whole.~~

~~2. Recommend a specific cycle for continuously reviewing all curricular areas.~~

~~3. Recommend a specific Scope and Sequence for each curricular area.~~

~~4. Bi annually review and make recommendations about the District assessment program~~

~~5. Contribute curriculum information for the annual report in accordance with Minnesota Statute and Board policy.~~

~~III. MEETINGS~~

~~A. The committee will meet quarterly during the school year meetings will occur the first Monday of the month in October, December, March, and May.~~

~~V. PROCEDURE~~

~~A. Quorum~~

~~1. For regularly scheduled meetings, a quorum will consist of those present, as long as that number is not less than 30 percent of the total committee membership.~~

~~2. If the Chair calls a special meeting, a quorum will consist of more than half the members of the committee.~~

~~B. Rules~~

~~The committee will operate under Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised except when otherwise stated herein.~~

~~VI. REPORTS~~

~~_____ A. _____ Annual Report. A copy of the annual report will be distributed in accordance with MN Statute 120B.11, subdivision 5.~~

~~_____ B. _____ Committee Operational Reports~~

~~1. _____ The Committee will communicate recommendations and reports to the School Board via the best means available.~~