

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tolland, CT Board of Education
Wednesday, November 11, 2020
5:30 pm

Committee Members Present: Anthony (Tony) Holt, Christina Plourd, Madhu Renduchintala

Also Attending: Dr. Walter Willett

Visitors: None

Meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm

- 5140 – Student use of district computer Systems – Update were made to bring the policy in line with times and legal recommendations. Policy is out of committee and has been submitted for 1st read by the board.
- 9160 – Meeting Conduct – Discussion centered around changing the policy from telephonic participation to remote participation utilizing technologies comparable to Zoom. The wonderful discussion led to even more questions. Topic was tabled to allow individuals time to research and bring information back to committee.
- 9170 – Quorum and Voting Procedure – Discussion focused specifically on the use of “straw polls”. It was noted that policy 9160 states that “Roberts rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of the Board except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws”. Roberts rules of Order states that the straw poll is not an acceptable tool calling them “meaningless and dilatory”. The committee decision was to leave the policies as they stand. If use of straw polls is desired by the board, then the policy can be revisited.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm