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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Policy Revision Worksession

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Item Number:

Administrator: Dave Jones, Ass't Superintendent

Attachments: *BP 6020 Parent Involvement*

☐ Action Needed ☒ For Discussion ☐ Information ☒ Other: worksession

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The following policy was reviewed by the Board Policy Committee on November 8, 2011. This is scheduled for a worksession on January 9, 2012.

BP 6020 Parent Involvement

This change in policy addresses a concern brought up by a parent re communicating with parents by adding that schools are to communicate with parents "through a variety of methods."

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends making these changes to policy.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

The School Board recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers and that continued parental involvement in the education of children contributes greatly to student achievement and conduct. Parents/guardians directly affect academic success by reinforcing their children's motivation and commitment to education. The District shall include parent involvement strategies as a component of instructional planning.

Teachers and parents/guardians can better understand and meet student needs if they work together. All of our schools have a duty to communicate frequently with the home through a variety of methods and to help parents/guardians develop skills and techniques which support classroom learning. Administrators and teachers should keep parents/guardians well informed about school expectations and tell them when and how they can assist their children in support of classroom learning activities. The Board encourages staff training in effective communication with the home.

The Board encourages parents/guardians to serve as volunteers in the schools and to attend student performances and school meetings. In an effort to maximize opportunities for parental involvement, an attempt will be made to accommodate parent schedules.

(cf. 1250 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 1260 - Visits to the Schools)

(cf. 5124 - Communications with Parents/Guardians)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)