

## **Board of Education School and Community Relations Committee**

March 20, 2024

Minutes

Time 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Board of Education Room

**Present**: D. Wood, R. Hershberg, K. Slentz

The meeting convened at 3:50 p.m.

## 1. Framing the work

Committee

a. Review and approval of agenda *The committee approved the agenda*.

## 2. Updates and Recommendations

Administration

a. Community communications on federal, state, and local directives and guidance The committee discussed whether the district should send communications to parents and the community regarding recent executive orders, Dear Colleague Letters, guidance from national organizations, and recommendations from counsel regarding our approach to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. K. Slentz updated the committee on actions that the district had taken in the review of policy, regulation, and practices as recommended by counsel. The committee advised that a general update to the community is warranted. b. 2025-26 Budget Newsletter

The committee reviewed options for the district newsletter and made recommendations for the contents that should be included. The administration will work with the BOCES communications office to design a draft newsletter for the committee's review.

c. Redesign of district website

K. Slentz updated the committee on the redesign of the district website. The administration will review this with the committee at an upcoming meeting.

d. National School Public Relations Association Audit

Based on the current schedule, administration anticipates that the audit will not be completed this year. it is likely that the audit will not be completed until the fall of 2025.

The committee also discussed the current structure and function of the committee and whether the current structure best served the members and the district. K. Slentz reminded members that this is a board committee and that members could redefine the structure and function to better meet their needs. Members suggested that an overall vision for community relations might be a worthwhile topic for a board retreat.

## 3. Next Meeting

Committee

a. June 12, 2025

4. Adjourn

Committee

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.