Policy Committee Meeting August 16, 2010

Members Present: Chris Page, Michelle Jensen, Cathi Meinecke, Brad Johnsrud

Others Present: Doug Berton

Agenda Items:

1. Bullying Policy:

Review. Discuss if there are any changes needed.

Future action: Any changes needed will be brought forth next month.

2. Graduation Requirements:

Discussed changes for 2nd reading. Administrative Rule procedures will be reviewed next month.

Future action: Approve 2nd Reading at monthly BOE meeting this evening.

3. Youth Options

Should college credits be counted in the H.S. GPA? Everyone except Columbus does count them presently. Mr. Berton presented his rationale for not including college grades in HS GPA. Michelle offered a few ways to look at this philosophically.

- 1. Great opportunity at district expense, accountability and the grade provides the accountability.
- 2. The grade concern may limit willingness to try, so offer one to audit and not bring it into HS GPA.
 - Would we encourage many more people to take youth options? Good but expensive?
 - Do students/parents have accurate information re: grades, GPA, youth options rigor, etc.
- 3. Another idea is to allow student to decide which Youth Option grades to include in GPA.
 - Don't give A away, just give it to one course, many more will take courses, might be too expensive.
 - Discuss Audit Option generally.

Future action: Allow 1 "audit" this year at student's discretion, where grade will not go into H.S. GPA