

**UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Education Center  
2229 E. Buck Road  
Pennsburg, PA 18073**

**Policy Committee Meeting**

March 27, 2023 @ Education Center  
5:00-6:00

**CHAIR:** Peg Pennepacker

Ex-Officio: Melanie Cunningham, President

**MEMBERS:**

Keith McCarrick  
Emily McCormick  
Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Andrea Farina  
Business Manager – Dan Direso  
Human Resources Director – Georgiann Fisher

**AGENDA**

1. Approval of February 21, 2023 Committee Minutes (Attachment A)
2. Review & Discussion:

Policy Number	Current	Proposed	Revisions/Discussion	Move to First Read March Board Mtg.
115  137 137.1 AR	<a href="#">Career and Technical Education</a>  <a href="#">Home Education Programs, AR</a>	<a href="#">Proposed 137</a> <a href="#">137 AR-0</a> <a href="#">137 AR-1</a> <a href="#">137 AR-2</a>	With the passage of Act 55, policies related to Career and Technical Education and Home Education will require revision. As discussed in previous meetings, the committee will wait for a model PSBA policy prior to making any changes.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
122 122 AR	Extracurricular Participation <a href="#">122, 122 AR</a>	<a href="#">Proposed 137.1</a> <a href="#">137.1 AR-0</a> <a href="#">137.1 AR-1</a>  <a href="#">137.2</a> <a href="#">137.2 AR-0</a> <a href="#">137.2 AR-1</a>  <a href="#">137.3</a> <a href="#">137.3 AR-0</a>	In addition, the committee is discussing policy 122 and its accompanying AR. Should the committee make any revisions to these policies, it would be prudent to align such revision with PSBA policies for 115 and 137.  The committee will discuss all aforementioned policies and ARs when PSBA policies become available for review.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<a href="#">709</a>	Building Security		<b>Repeal and Replace Policy 709</b> Policy revised (Sept. 2019) to reflect the role of the School Safety and Security Coordinator and responsibility of the Superintendent for designating authorized access to school buildings and facilities. New language was added regarding a single entry point to school buildings after the start of the school day (based on district response on questionnaire); incorporated language to clarify recommendation for a controlled process for screening visitors and other authorized individuals. Language previously included in the policy designating individuals authorized with unlimited access or limited access to buildings was removed for placement in an administrative regulation. Deleted language regarding possession of keys (e.g. duplication prohibited; keys to be surrendered when no longer needed; reporting of a lost key; overnight key loans; unauthorized use of keys) -- language is more procedural and would be more appropriately outlined in	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

			administrative regulations or procedures related to assignment of keys.	
<a href="#">251</a>	Homeless Students		<p><b>Repeal and Replace with NEW Policy 251 and 251 AR-1, AR-2, AR-3</b></p> <p>Revised some language in Authority for clarity; added recommended language on no student being discriminated against, segregated, or stigmatized based on their homeless status, in accordance with law.</p> <p>Added definitions of enroll or enrollment, unaccompanied youth, homeless children and youths and school of origin for clarity and in accordance with applicable law and regulations.</p> <p>Added recommended language regarding compliance with PA's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program.</p> <p>Added language on enrollment/placement, education records, comparable services, transportation, and training in accordance with law.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Next Meeting: April 2023

**Mission:** Policies exist to serve the needs of the district and to serve the district's need to comply with various regulatory demands. Policies are designed to influence the activities that take place within the boundaries set by them. The policy committee performs a comprehensive review of policies and administrative regulations to ensure compliance with federal and state laws and regulations with input from stakeholders. In other words, the point of view held by the board of school directors is translated into steps that result in an outcome compatible with that view. **Vision:** Review any/all policies and administrative regulations; Create and/or review any policies recommended by the solicitor based on current events; Retire any policies in place that are no longer needed.