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SHAWSHEEN VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy Subcommittee Meeting

Minutes

September 13, 2023

The Policy Subcommittee meeting was called to order at 4:43 p.m. with the following members present: Ms. Bartolone, Mrs. Gillis and Ms. Lawson. Also in attendance was Mr. Tony McIntosh, Superintendent-Director. Ms. Kim joined the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

Motion made by Ms. Lawson, seconded by Mrs. Gillis, to approve the Minutes of June 15, 2023 as written. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. McIntosh began the meeting with a presentation of the data received from the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education Chapter 74 Admissions & Waitlist Analysis for Shawsheen related to admissions and the breakdown by criteria such as students with high needs, low income, students with disabilities, first language not English, English language learners and race. He also compared Shawsheen's numbers with those of the five districts.

All students that applied for admission for the class of 2027 were accepted and there was no wait list for this year. Going forward, it is more about recruitment of new students and having all eighth grade students able to come to Shawsheen during the school day to be able to see all of the shops while there are students and teachers in the building. Bedford will be sending their students again this year, and Burlington has confirmed that their eighth graders will come.

Mr. McIntosh then presented the two small changes to the Admissions Policy which affect the scoring breakdown for scholastic achievement. This will only change the number of points given for scholastic achievement with more points for grades of 80 or higher and less for grades between 60 and 79. After discussion,

Motion made by Mrs. Gillis, seconded by Ms. Lawson, to approve the recommended changes to the Admissions Policy and to bring the policy to the full committee for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Gillis, seconded by Ms. Lawson, to adjourn at 5:39 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Faiola
Recording Secretary

Christine Kim
Chair, Policy Subcommittee