

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Policy Committee  
of the  
Trumbull Board of Education

Special Meeting

Via Audio Conferencing\*

Monday, October 26, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

\*For Public Access to the Special Meeting via telephone at 5:30 p.m.:  
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AGENDA

		<u>Presenter*</u>	<u>Anticipated Action</u>
<b>I.</b>	<b>PRELIMINARY BUSINESS</b>		
	A. Call to Order / Introduction	JB	
	B. Correspondence / Public Comment (The public can send comments via e-mail to <a href="mailto:jbudd@trumbullps.org">jbudd@trumbullps.org</a> ; comments will be summarized as Correspondence received.)	JB	
<b>II.</b>	<b>REPORTS / ACTION ITEMS</b>		
	A. Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting, May 28, 2020	TG	
	B. Report, Administrative Designee	JB	
	C. Board of Education Meeting Updates		
	a. June 16, 2020 Combined First/Second Readings		
	i. <del>Drug and Alcohol Use or Possession on School</del> <del>Property by Students</del> , Policy Code 6164.11	JB	
	ii. Student Use and Possession of Smoking Products, Tobacco Products, Drugs, and Alcohol, Policy Code 5131.6	JB	
	iii. Staff Use and Possession of Smoking Products, Tobacco Products, Drugs, and Alcohol, Policy Code 4118.231	JB	
	iv. Public Conduct at School-Sponsored <del>Sporting</del> <del>Events and Activities</del> , Policy Code 1316	JB	
<b>III.</b>	<b>POLICY REVIEW/DISCUSSION</b>		
	A. Face Coverings, Policy Code 5141.9	JB	to BOE 1 <sup>st</sup> Rdng. 10/27/20

\* TG: Tim Gallo; JB: Dr. Jonathan Budd

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MINUTES

I. Preliminary Business

- A. Call to Order / Introduction – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gallo at 5:34 p.m., and a roll-call of members was taken. Dr. Budd then provided information on the process for conducting the meeting in accordance with current Connecticut Executive Order 7B.

Members present

Tim Gallo, Chair, BOE member  
Kathleen Fearon, BOE member  
Marie Petitti, BOE member  
Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D., administrative designee  
John Mastrianni, TEA representative  
Paul Coppola, TAA representative  
Michael Buswell, parent representative  
Anthony Iannini, community representative  
Michelle Malone, community representative  
Keira (Kiki) Grant, student representative

Members absent

Jeffrey Mullins, parent representative  
JeTaya Ortiz, parent representative  
Howard Qian, student representative

- B. Correspondence / Public Comment – Dr. Budd noted that the public was invited to send any comments via e-mail; he had received one, which he would read when discussion opened on the final policy this evening, since the e-mail related solely to that policy.

II. Reports / Action Items

- A. Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting, May 28, 2020 – Mr. Iannini moved to approve the minutes; it was seconded by Dr. Fearon, and unanimously agreed to.
- B. Report, Administrative Designee – Dr. Budd noted that his comments would come tonight in relation to each policy presented.
- C. Board of Education Meeting Updates

- a. May 26, 2020 Combined First/Second Readings – Dr. Budd noted that the Board heard combined First/Second Readings of the following eleven policies as presented at its May 26, 2020 meeting, and approved the policies.
  - i. Reporting of Child Abuse, Neglect, and Sexual Assault, Policy Code 5141.4
  - ii. Fire Safety, Crisis Response, & Authority in Emergency Situations, Policy Code 6114.1
  - iii. Pay to Participate, Policy Code 5138
  - iv. Eligibility to Attend Trumbull Public Schools, Policy Code 5111
  - v. Health Assessment and Immunizations, Policy Code 5141.3
  - vi. Allotment of Student Time, Grades K-5, Policy Code 6112.2
  - vii. Length of School Year and School Day, Policy Code 6112
  - viii. Promotion and Retention of Students Grades Pre-K – 8, Policy Code 5123
  - ix. Student Conduct on School Buses, Policy Code 5131.1
  - x. Hazing, Policy Code 5131.91
  - xi. Student Standard of Conduct, Policy Code 5131

### III. Policy Review/Discussion

- A. Drug and Alcohol Use or Possession ~~on School Property~~ by Students, Policy Code 6164.11 – Dr. Budd presented the proposed revised policy in this evening’s packet. The Committee unanimously agreed to bring the policy to the Board for a First Reading on June 9, 2020.
- B. Student Use and Possession of Smoking Products, Tobacco Products, Drugs, and Alcohol – Policy Code 5131.6 – Dr. Budd presented the proposed revised policy in this evening’s packet. The Committee unanimously agreed to bring the policy to the Board for a First Reading on June 9, 2020.
- C. Staff Use and Possession of Smoking Products, Tobacco Products, Drugs, and Alcohol – Policy Code 4118.231 – Dr. Budd presented the proposed revised policy in this evening’s packet. The Committee unanimously agreed to bring the policy to the Board for a First Reading on June 9, 2020.
- D. Public Conduct at School-Sponsored ~~Sporting Events and~~ Activities, Policy Code 1316 – Dr. Budd presented the proposed revised policy in this evening’s packet. The Committee unanimously agreed to bring the policy to the Board for a First Reading on June 9, 2020.
- E. Special Accounts, Policy Code 3453 – Dr. Budd presented the proposed revised policy in this evening’s packet. He read the Correspondence received from Scot Kerr, BOE Finance Committee member, with feedback on the proposed policy revisions. Dr. Fearon moved to modify the policy revision in the following way: to add, at the end of Regulation I.F, the sentence “Upon request of the officers of such a school-

based organization, the Board may choose to delay the transfer for a specified period of time.” The motion failed for lack of a second.

Dr. Fearon moved to modify the policy revision in the following way: to strike the word “five” in the existing final sentence of Regulation I.F, and to replace it with the word “six.” The motion failed for lack of a second.

Dr. Budd explained that he would notify the BOE Finance Committee, which had requested the policy revision, that there had not been a successful motion at this evening’s Policy Committee to revise the policy.

### Adjournment

Mr. Gallo moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.; it was seconded by Ms. Petitti, and unanimously agreed to.

POLICY OVERVIEW FORM

Policy Title: Face Coverings

Section: 5000 Category: Students Code: 5141.9

New: X Revision:     

Initiated by: Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent

Phone No.: (203) 452-4336 Email: jbudd@trumbullps.org

Need for New Policy/Revision: Consistent with CSDE expectations, this proposed new policy outlines expectations for face coverings by students, staff, and visitors during the COVID-19 pandemic. The proposed language follows the recommendations of CABA (the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education) in all respects.

State Statute if applicable: N/A

Summary of Actions Required by New Policy/Revision: See above.

Please complete this form and send to the Office of the Superintendent, Trumbull Public Schools, 6254 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611

Office Use Only Approval

Superintendent:  Date: 10/21/2020

Policy Committee Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTIRE PROPOSED POLICY IS NEW**

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
POLICY MANUAL

SECTION: 5000  
CATEGORY: Students  
POLICY CODE: 5141.9/Face Coverings

**FACE COVERINGS**

**Policy Statement**

The Trumbull Board of Education will comply with all federal, state, and local health and safety requirements, including those of the Connecticut State Department of Education and the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, face coverings are essential to safeguard the health and safety of students and adults within each school facility. All students, staff, and visitors are required to use face coverings that completely cover the nose and mouth when they are inside a school buildings or on school grounds. Exceptions will be only for: individuals participating in scheduled mask breaks; individuals consuming scheduled meals or snacks; adults working in private offices, or in shared offices with six feet of distance from others; and individuals with documented medical exemptions. A medical exemption will be granted only if the individual has trouble breathing, is unconscious, is incapacitated, cannot remove the face covering without assistance, or has provided to the appropriate school nurse an acceptable note from a medical professional to confirm that the individual cannot wear a loose-fitting face covering of the style to be used in schools for source control; such exemptions will be rare. Finally, student accommodations based upon a documented disability may be granted by a Planning & Placement Team or a 504 Team.

The District shall maintain in each school building a supply of disposable face coverings in the event that a student or staff member does not have one for use. Violations of this policy by students will be handled based upon Board of Education Policy 5131, “Student Standard of Conduct.” Violations of this policy by staff may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination. Violations of this policy by visitors may result in denial of entry to school facilities.

Adopted: ??/2020

**Reference**

- Trumbull Board of Education Policy Code 5131: Student Standard of Conduct