Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District (SVRTSD)

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes, Monday June 6, 2022

RGB members present Asher Edelson, Jackie Kelly, Leon Johnson, John MacDonald and Charles Putney and Dane Whitman. Southwest Tech represented by Mike Lawler, Superintendent Director

Recorder: Sandra Redding

Policy Committee meeting was opened by Chairman Asher Edelson at 11:35AM. There were no public comments, so the first order of business was the approval of the May 9, 2022 policy committee meeting minutes. With motions from L. Johnson and C. Putney and a unanimous vote, the minutes were approved.

SW Tech By-laws: the updated version provided by Pre-Law Instructor, John Lamson is ready for adoption. It was noted that the board may choose not to meet if there is no business at hand and circumstances indicate a meeting is not necessary. By-laws should reflect that we are no longer the Career Development Center, (CDC) and shall be known as the Southwest Technical Center, (SWT) for the future.

<u>Policy 1000C-Policy on Policies</u>: not enough time today to discuss appropriately, so with motions from L. Johnson and C. Putney and unanimous approval, this policy was tabled until the next meeting.

Policy 2200C-Anti-Discrimination: Edelson indicated that he was concerned that transgender people were not adequately included in the wording of this policy. Discussion ensued whether this was already included by the present terminology or was there a need to be more specific. Vermont state uses "gender identity/orientation" as broad inclusion. D. Whitman added that we need more time to consider the wording. Supt. Lawler noted that we follow state guidelines and descriptions as policies are created and amended. We could also include wording in Administrative Regulations. Some felt wording needs to be in the policy itself as that is available for the public to see where administrative regs are not. The committee would like to know what the Agency of Education suggests/recommends. Discussion will continue at the next meeting with updated information from any state sources.

<u>Policy 7194C-Policy Review and Evaluation</u>: committee feels this policy is fine and ready to go, so it will move out of committee and be accepted as presented. Per motions from L. Johnson and D. Whitman and unanimous approval from the committee, the policy was approved as written and marked as reviewed.

L. Johnson requested that it might be advantageous to have a discussion concerning "Roberts Rule of Order". Request will be addressed.

With no further business, motions from J. MacDonald and C. Putney and unanimous agreement, meeting adjourned at 11:43AM.