BOARD AGENDA ITEM November 15, 2016

SUBJECT:

Changes to Administrative Rule ED-R Materials and Equipment Management

BACKGROUND:

This administrative rule outlines procedures for the use, care, storage, and loaning of district owned materials and equipment.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The proposed policy update brings Administrative Rule ED-R in line with the current administrative structure. It also removes language referencing obsolete equipment and procedures no longer in use.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the proposed changes on first reading

ATTACHMENT:

Administrative Rule ED-R Materials and Equipment Management

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MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT

Code ED-R Issued 2/12

The district prohibits the use of district equipment for personal purposes. In addition, the district does not encourage employees to take district equipment home for professional use. However, district needs may make such use appropriate. In such instances, employees must receive prior written approval from the superintendent, appropriate principal, academic officer Executive Director or other designated administrator, deputy superintendent, comptroller Cabinet Members or district department head.

Occasionally employees will be required to use district equipment in presentations, etc., away from the district. For the employee's protection in these instances, the district will assume responsibility for loss, damage or theft only if prior written consent is given.

Definition of school equipment

For the purposes of this section, equipment is defined as instructional materials, tools and movable furniture which have a normal life of more than one year, and which are not used up in instruction or the operation of the schools. Materials have a life of less than one year and are consumed in instruction and operation.

Requisition of equipment

Employees must requisition equipment on purchase order forms supplied by the school.

Ownership of equipment

Legally, all equipment purchased automatically becomes the property of the board of trustees. Employees may transfer equipment from a building only after consulting with the principal and securing the consent of the deputy superintendent, Chief Officer of Operations and Student comptroller Chief Financial Officer or the appropriate area assistant superintendent Executive Director.

Loaned equipment

The district will not loan any equipment without written authorization from the superintendent, deputy superintendent, comptroller, academic officer or other designated administrator, cabinet member appropriate principal or district department head.

- Equipment and materials may be used for PTA meetings to support stakeholder meetings.
- They may also be used for public relations presentations in which an employee or board member of the district is so identified and is explaining a function of the curriculum to a segment of the lay public. If they are to be taken out of the district, the employee must comply with the procedures set out above.
- School groups composed of students with a faculty sponsor may use audiovisual equipment.
- Professional educational groups may use the audiovisual equipment.

The superintendent will make decisions for situations that do not fit the above conditions.

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Borrowed equipment

The board will assume no responsibility for any equipment that is borrowed by sponsors, coaches or teachers in the conduct of their daily work or for any special project or use in the schools. This is also true of all equipment owned by teachers or left in the buildings during the summer months or during the year. Employees must return all borrowed property at the close of each school year. The responsibility for return rests definitely upon the employee and the principal involved.

Transferred equipment and property

Employees must not move furniture or equipment from one building to another without permission from the deputy superintendent, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services comptroller Chief Financial Officer or academic officer Executive Director or other designated administrator.

Summer storage of equipment

Employees must take special care when storing sensitive equipment during the summer months. Employees should store all such equipment in a locked, dry, safe place.

Care of equipment

Employees must take every precaution to maintain equipment at its full efficiency. Teachers and principals will encourage proper attitudes toward equipment and instructional supplies furnished by the school district. Only qualified people may use equipment that requires specialized knowledge.

Loss or damage of equipment

Parents of minor children are responsible for all loss or damage of equipment caused by such students. Principals are authorized to make a reasonable charge for any damage to school equipment because of the negligence or carelessness of the individual student.

Driver education car

The driver education car may only be used for driver training except as designated by the board.

Long distance telephone calls

Long distance telephone calls may only be made from the schools with the approval of the principal.

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