BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.22 (VERNON)

BOARD POLICY NO: 1404.3

Policy Development, Currency and Revision Publication, and Review	
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Reference:	School Act Section 85 (2)(a)

The Board is committed to the establishment of district policy as one of its primary responsibilities critical to good governance.

The Board will determine policies to provide direction and guidance for the district, consistent with the School Act and its regulations, ministerial orders, other legislation, and the District's Strategic

On a specific policy basis, the Board reserves the right to modify the policy development process outlined in this policy.

The Board's policy development, revision and repeal process involves of the following stages:

1. Policy Initiation

The need for a new policy or revisions to existing policy may be identified by the Board, the Superintendent, Secretary Treasurer, or as a result of Board Standing or Working Committee recommendations or Ministry of Education and Child Care requirements.

2. Policy Development

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer to support the Board in policy development by obtaining necessary information, outlining policy alternatives and the preparation of draft policy. When appropriate, the Superintendent or Secretary Treasurer shall seek legal advice on the intent and the wording of policy.

In policy areas regarding students, instruction, and community relations, the Board will establish an Education Policy Advisory Committee to provide feedback to the Board.

3.1. Policy Adoption Development

Adoption of new policies or the revision or repeal of existing policies is solely the responsibility of the Board. A-The Board shall follow a transparent and systematic policy development process shall be used regarding the adoption of Board policy to ensure thoughtful examination of the policy issues prior to final adoption.

New policy, or revisions to, or repeals of existing policy, shall be presented at a Regular Board Meeting, and approved for circulation for feedback prior to the subsequent Board meeting.

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3.1.1. Timelines for feedback will coincide with the dates for preparation of the subsequent Board
Agenda, the week prior to the Board meeting to ensure the feedback received can be included in the
agenda.

3.2. Subsequent to the circulation period, the policy shall be brought forward to a Regular Board Meeting, with the feedback summarized, for any further discussion and approval.

Should the extent of feedback be such that the Board feels the policy would benefit from further input, the revised policy may be circulated for a further period prior to final approval.

4. Policy Implementation

It is the Superintendent's responsibility as Chief Executive Officer to implement Board policy. To do so, the Superintendent will ensure distribution of the policy and, where necessary, issue administrative procedures and/or meet with affected regarding the policy's implementation.

5.2. Policy Publication

<u>Current</u> Board policies will be <u>kept up to date in electronic format</u>, and published on the <u>district District</u> website, by the <u>Secretary Treasurer</u>.

6.3. Policy Currency Review

The Superintendent shall be responsible for calling to the Board's attention to any policies that are out of date or, for other reasons, appear to need revision.

6.1. The Board will review governance all policies at least once, within the Board's term of office.

7. Absence of Policy

In the absence of Board policy, the Superintendent may act at their discretion. The Superintendent will inform the Board of a potential need for future policy development.

8. Suspension of policy

The operation of any Board policy, may be suspended by a majority vote of Board members present at any Regular or Special Meeting.