

Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2013

Attendance: Ann Marie Roder, Doug McGuire

We have received part of the policy package we purchased from Booth and Lavorato. Some of the policies they provided to us are policies Beacon already has. We discussed whether we should keep our own, adopt Booth and Lavorato's or combine them. It was decided that we would keep our own and add anything that is important or part of new charter school law.

Policy Review:

102 Equal Education Opportunity: We reviewed our own and the policy Booth and Lavorato provided. Nothing was different so we will keep our own.

104 School District Mission Statement: Our current policy is a little more comprehensive than Booth and Lavorato's. Our policy has a review component that states the following. "The school board will review the school district's mission every two years, especially when new members of the board changes. The school board will conduct a comprehensive review of the mission, including the beliefs and values of the community, every five to seven years." We felt this is a good component to keep in, especially since the board is in the process of creating the values and beliefs.

212 Charter School Board Member Development: Again, our policy was more comprehensive than Booth and Lavorato's. Beacon's policy includes two board member assessments. This policy and assessments were adopted by the board in July 2012 but were not used in spring 2013. Ann Marie will discuss with the board chair the implementation of the assessments and who is responsible for making sure this gets done.

Due to the low number of members at the meeting we decided to put off reviewing policy 707 Transportation until next month. Our next meeting is Monday, November 25th at 5:30pm.