

PELICAN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Superintendent Report ~ February 15, 2023

- 1. Snow Days 4-8 are E-Learning
- 2. Safe Routes to School Grant
- 3. Policies

First & Second Readings

Policy 201: Legal Status of the School Board

Purpose: To define the authority, duties, and powers of the school board in carrying out its mission.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes)

Policy 202: School Board Officers

Purpose: To delineate the responsibilities entrusted to the school board for the care, management, and control of the school district.

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DERRICK NELSON Elementary Principal Activities Director

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes)

Policy 203.5: School Board Meeting Agenda

Purpose: To provide procedures for the preparation of the school board meeting agenda to ensure that the school board can accomplish its business as efficiently and expeditiously as possible.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes)

Policy 204: School Board Meeting Minutes

Purpose: To establish procedures relating to the maintenance of records of the school board and the publication of its official proceedings.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes)

Policy 206 – Public Participation in School Board Meetings/Complains About Persons At School Board Meetings and Data Privacy Consideration

Purpose: To provide procedures to assure open and orderly public discussion as well as to protect the due process and privacy rights of individuals under the law.

(Suggesting updates to add references to 206.1 (which would be newly added – see below!))

Policy 207: Public Hearings

Purpose: To establish procedures to efficiently receive public input.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes and also added/removed minimal verbiage to clarify items)

Policy 208: Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies

Purpose: To emphasize the importance of the policy—making role of the school board and provide the means for it to be an ongoing effort.



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(Updated/spelled out references/statutes and removal of multiple policies inquiring annual review, addition of 1 policy)

Policy 209: Code of Ethics

Purpose: To assist the individual school board member in understanding his or her role as part of a school board and in recognizing the contribution that each member must make to develop an effective and responsible school board.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes and addition of note that explains what the code of ethics is used for)

Policy 210: Conflict of Interest - School Board Members

Purpose: To observe state statutes regarding conflicts of interest and to engage in school district business activities in a fashion designed to avoid any conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes and the amount to be earned by school board members maximum amount went up to \$20,000 from \$8,000 per MSBA recommendation)

Policy 211: Criminal or Civil Action Against School District, School Board Member, Employee, or Student

Purpose: To provide guidance about the school district's position, rights and responsibilities when a civil or criminal action is pending against the school district, or a school board member, school district employee, or student.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes and added/removed minimal verbiage to clarify items)

Policy 212: School Board Member Development

Purpose: To encourage the members of the school board to participate in professional development activities designed for them so that they may perform their responsibilities.

(Updated/spelled out references/statutes)

First Reading Only at February Meeting

Policy 205 – Open Meetings and Closed Meetings

Purpose: To provide guidelines to assure the rights of the public to be present at school board meetings, while also protecting an individual's rights to privacy under law, and the close meetings when the public interest so requires as recognized by law.

(Includes verbiage in regards to notice of special meetings for those who have requested notice, meetings during a pandemic, closed meeting rules, coaches opportunities to respond and spelling out of abbreviated references and added references.)



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4. School Board Agenda Items

Looking Ahead ~

- February 17 ~ No School
- February 20 ~ Parent Teacher Conferences
 - ✓ Elementary 12:00-6:00pm
 - ✓ High School 1:00-7:00pm