



## **New Haven Board of Education Governance Committee**

**Monday, July 18, 2022  
5:30 p.m.**

### **Minutes**

**Meeting convened at 5:35 pm**

**Attendees - Typhanie Jackson, Jasmine Oang, Dr. Abie Benitez**

**1. Reviewed Minutes from June 6th Meeting**

- a. The committee approved the minutes.

**2. Old Business**

**a. School Calendar**

- i. Ms. Jackson informed the committee that she will work with the group as website updates occur.

**b. Bullying Forms**

- i. Dr. Baker has met with attorneys to update the forms. The committee will invite Dr. Baker to comment on the Series 5000 policies.

**c. Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Youth**

- i. Ms. Jackson stressed that the Student Handbook must align with policy updates.

- 1. Since the NHPS Student Handbook is now digital, Ms. Jackson suggested adding a disclaimer that states that the guidance can be changed and updated throughout the year.

**3. New Business**

**4. Series 6000 Updates**

- a. Ms. Jackson proposed that the Governance Committee take on Series 5000 and 6000 updates.
- b. Dr. Benitez noted that the Teaching and Learning Committee is looking at Series 6000 and both committees can collaborate.
- c. Ms. Jackson and Ms. Oang will compile a list of policies to focus on. Dr. Benitez mentioned Homework, Graduation, and Grading.

**5. Series 5000 Updates**

- a. Dr. Benitez and Ms. Jackson will convene a group to meet on July 27th to discuss the Series 5000 policies.

- b. The Committee discussed updates to the Bullying and Sexual Harassment Policies.

**6. Mental Health in Schools**

- a. Ms. Jackson and Ms. Oang presented research on Mental Health in Schools to the Committee. They are working on policy updates and compiling resources for mental health issues.