

# **FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS POLICY COMMITTEE**

Middlebush – Large Conference Room

**Report – March 7, 2016**

## **MISSION STATEMENT OF THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Mission of the Franklin Township Public Schools is to provide excellent educational opportunities that meet or exceed New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards for every student; maintain an environment that engenders an appreciation of the value of every student; develop every student to his/her highest potential; and instill the attitudes, skills, and knowledge necessary to become independent, contributing members of a democratic, multi-cultural society.

### Committee Members Present

Latee E. Walton-McCleod, Committee Chair

Nancy La Corte, Committee Member

Margaret Steele, Committee Member

John Ravally, Superintendent

Edward Potosnak, Board President and Ex Officio Committee Member

Mary L. Clark, Coordinator of Policies & Regulations, Committee Liaison

The Committee reviewed several new policies pertaining to the role, duties and evaluation of the Superintendent. These were Policies 2131.1-2131.4. These policies are similar in content to our existing policy in this area, but contain more detail. Also the date of the Superintendent evaluation was changed from April to July in order to reflect applicable law. Our existing policy 2131 Superintendent of School was revised to list these new policies. When the new policy manual is adopted by the Board of Education later this year, these policies will correspond to the Strauss Esmay policies. The Committee agreed to pass these policies on to the full Board for consideration.

The Committee reviewed proposed revisions to Policy 5111: Admission and Policy 6178: Early Childhood as well as a new regulation, 6178R: Early Childhood. These changes and the new regulation reflect changes in the Preschool Program this year. The Policies were sent forward for full Board consideration and the Regulation, which only requires one reading, will come before the Board in April.

Finally, the Committee received draft policies in the area of health. The Committee was asked to review these policies in anticipation of a full Board review later this year as part of the Policy Manual conversion process.

Respectfully submitted,

Latee E. Walton-McCleod  
Committee Chair

Mary L. Clark  
Coordinator of Policies, Regulations  
and Communications