

4/19

In attendance:

Kelly Welsh Clare Drebitko

Sarah Adams Sam DiNatale

Run by Keri Bristow

Call the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Maura Tynes spoke: "Resting hat on what Kerri and Bryce said there was a misunderstanding over the naming committee and here to listen. That we are not putting emphasis on the donations towards the renaming of spaces but the individuals they've been named after and their commitment to this community is honored."

Kelly Walsh spoke to wanting stronger language on the line of "it is the intent of this policy that past legacy dedication will be honored." Maybe something to the point of "Renaming is to only occur for unusual and extraordinary circumstances."

Most discussion was on the highlighted blue added sections. These were the thoughts to change:

- The percentage of the vote should be higher than 60% of the school board- maybe closer to 75%. Should also take into account if not a lot of board members are in attendance for the meeting.
- The "Fundraising Work Group" should not be a part of the procedure as it doesn't hold any longevity to the policy. Just the under the recommendation of the Superintendent.
- 30 days' notice for Public Comment and multiple warned meetings.
- In the case of a renaming possibly requiring a plaque of some kind with the former name and the dates it was named that.

Outside of the Renaming Portion it was discussed:

- Research on putting a timeline to the naming of a space associated with the amount donated. How other district's policies have been written for that.

Maura & Faith spoke at the end of the meeting:

- Maura stressed the importance of the language of this policy not creating a bigger divide in the community between "old school Vermonters" and "Flatlanders."
- Faith voiced not wanting to change the names of anything but that it's good to have a policy in place in case a renaming has to occur because of potential future negative actions by the person it's named after bringing shame to the school.

Voted to Move Forward the Adoption of the "Community Use of School Facilities" policy.

Further discussion needed on the Naming Policy.

Meeting ended at 7:20pm