Committee Members Present: Ms. Debbie Rose, Ms. Brenda Sheridan, Ms. Joy Maloney

Staff: Virginia C. Patterson, Ph.D., Ms. Suzanne Fitzgerald

Audience Attendees: Dr. Ashley Ellis, Ms. Nereida Gonzalez-Sales, Mr. Michael Pierson

Public Present: None

I. Public Comment. None given

II. Approval of minutes. Minutes for the Discipline Committee meeting of April 25, 2018 were approved 2-0-1-0. Ms. Maloney was not present for the vote.

III. Review: Proposed Policy 8230, Student Exclusion from Extracurricular Activities (Currently, School Board Policy §8-29)

1. Dr. Patterson introduced the proposed draft policy, Policy 8230. The following changes were noted:

   • “Student” was added to the title of the proposed policy as this policy deals with student exclusion from extracurricular activities as part of suspension and/or expulsion of a student from school attendance;
   • Added a portion to the introduction – lines 7 through 9 recognizing the benefits of extracurricular activities;
   • Definition added for extracurricular activities;
   • Section B actions taken under student organizations (dismissals) are not appealable under proposed Policy 8230;
   • Section C addresses students participating in athletics;
   • Notification of exclusion given to parents or guardians of the student excluded from extracurricular activities;
   • Section E, Appeal Rights addresses the levels of the appeal process and the timeline is given.
2. The Discipline Committee discussed various issues surrounding appeal rights to include the appeal timeline, and levels of appeal. The discussion moved to rules and bylaws related to groups and clubs apart from athletics as well as how this policy speaks to a dismissal from a club/organization when the reason for dismissal is outside of Loudoun County Public School policy; in this instance, an appeal could not be made under the proposed policy.

From the perspective of athletics, a key component is providing answers to parents and students in a timely manner as these decisions may relate to competition. Additionally, the right to appeal for athletics should be retained in this policy as students may later choose to participate in athletics at the collegiate level.

**ACTION**: The Committee recommended that proposed Policy 8230, *Student Exclusion from Extracurricular Activities* (Currently, School Board Policy §8-29) be reviewed by staff for incorporation into existing policies.

IV. **Adjournment**. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m. The next Open/Public meeting of the Discipline Committee is Wednesday, June 27, 2018 in Room 100A. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m.