The following policy was discussed:

**#6141.321 – Acceptable Use of the Internet, Other Computer Networks and Internet Safety**

Jared Morin spoke to this policy concerning the necessity of adding the following language to comply with the New E-Rate requirements: “The District recognizes its responsibility to educate students regarding appropriate behavior on social networking and chat room sites about cyberbullying. Therefore, students shall be provided instruction about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking sites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response.”

There are other minor changes to the policy to bring it up-to-date. Filters language was changed to make it current. It was noted that no filter is 100% perfect. Adequate supervision is key. Three additional legal references were incorporated into the policy.

Jared Morin stated these changes needed to be effect as of July 1, 2012.

Sheila Daniels and Ed McKeon asked how information on the acceptable use of the computer, internet and social sites was provided to the students. Jared stated he will be working with the teachers.

Ed McKeon suggested perhaps when a student signs onto the network for the first time, a short video would be opened showing acceptable computer use. The student would watch it and then have to acknowledge that he/she read it. Jared agreed it would be a more creative way to bring this information to students. Blue tooth kids could work on it. Jared will ask Lauren Pszczoklowski for her help. Ed would be happy to pitch in. Maybe have a survey afterwards for assessment to make sure the kids understand it. We want kids to realize anything they put on the internet is there forever. It could impact them in later life when they are applying for college and employment.

It was also suggested students might be more receptive if another student presented this information about social sites, internet, etc.

Ed mentioned we are now responsible whenever we hear of any inappropriate use of internet, bullying, etc. even outside the school district.
After reviewing the changes, the Policy Committee recommended this revised Policy #6141.321 – Acceptable Use of the Internet, Other Computer Networks and Internet Safety be presented to the Board of Education at tonight's (June 5, 2012) meeting and will require two readings. All members agreed.

Note: Ava Hart arrived late, but reviewed the policy and agreed it should be presented to the Board of Education at tonight's (June 5, 2012) meeting.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at 8:00 A.M. in the Board Room of the Dr. Alfred B. Tychsen Administration Building.

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