

POLICY COMMITTEE - MEETING AT MHS 10/17/22

The meeting was requested since the students wanted to modify the homework policy. There were concerns about homework assigned over long breaks. Student representatives provided information from a neighboring district about these policies. Allison attended for policy committee. Present were student representatives (2), Principal Freeman, Assistant Director of Guidance Ms. Kenny (I believe that President Jannah was also present)

- We researched and found that any updated policy language was not found on their website to reflect the discussions noted in the article.
- I had pulled the existing policy (P2330 Homework) prior to the meeting. We discussed adjusting the current language to reflect what it was the students were looking for.
 - Paragraph 9 – Adding language about when homework can be due after November break, winter break, spring break. Students also mentioned summer break.

Representatives also discussed the idea of wellness breaks where certain days no homework is assigned district wide.

- I recalled that the District used to do “Family Nights” where no homework was assigned District Wide. The idea was that everyone got a break so that they could spend time with family. Last one I could find was 10/26/16.
- We discussed the possibility of renewing these so that students could have a mandated “break”
 - Supporting the mental health of the community, students and staff
 - Mention that issue could be discussed with Ms. Dock
- Perhaps can also be discussed in Board Committees.