

LAKE FOREST COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 115
LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67
D115 JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

Time:	The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.
Location:	Lake Forest High School West Campus 300 South Waukegan Rd., Lake Forest, IL, 60045
D115 Committee Members Present:	Robert Silvay, Anne Helms
Absent:	Gail Gamrath
D67 Committee Members Present:	Mark Remus, Lori Fitzgerald
Staff/Guests Present:	Patrick Sassen, Jennifer Hermes, Phil Georgia, Matthew Montgomery, Renee Fitzsimmons, Erin Lenart, Jenny Sterpin, Tiana Tolver
Guests:	None
Approval of Minutes:	A motion was made by Mr. Silvay and seconded by Ms. Helms to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2024 meeting. The motion carried.
Public Comment:	None

On Wednesday, September 3, 2025, the District 115 Policy Committee met in a joint session with the District 67 Policy Committee.

The board's policies were undergoing suggested updates, based on the recommendations issued by Illinois Association of School Boards in PRESS Issues 118 and 119. There were no questions submitted prior to the meeting.

PRESS Issue 118 Updates - Policy Updates

The following policies were reviewed in compliance with PRESS requirements.

2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure	Recommendations Accepted
2:265 Title IX Grievance Procedure	Recommendations Accepted
4:15 Identity Protection	Recommendations Accepted
4:80 Accounting and Audits	Recommendations Accepted
5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment	Recommendations Accepted
5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited	Recommendations Accepted
5:60 Expenses	Not Accepted; Needs to be updated
5:100 Staff Development Program	Recommendations Accepted
6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction	Recommendations Accepted
6:235 Access to Electronic Networks	Recommendations Accepted
7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities	Recommendations Accepted
7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited	Recommendations Accepted
7:60 Residence	Recommendations Accepted
7:70 Attendance and Truancy	Recommendations Accepted
7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment	Recommendations Accepted
7:185 Teen Dating Violence Prohibited	Recommendations Accepted
7:190 Student Behavior	Recommendations Accepted
7:200 Suspension Procedures	Recommendations Accepted
7:210 Expulsion Procedures	Recommendations Accepted
7:250 Student Support Services	Recommendations Accepted
7:255 Students Who are Parents, Expectant Parents, or Victims of Domestic or Sexual Violence	Recommendations Accepted

7:270 Administering Medicines to Students	Recommendations Accepted
7:310 Restrictions on Publication	Policy Deletion Accepted
7:315 Restrictions on Publications; High Schools	Recommendations Accepted
7:340 Student Records	Recommendations Accepted

PRESS Issue 119 Updates - Policy Updates

The following policies were reviewed in compliance with PRESS requirements.

1:20 District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements	Recommendations Accepted
1:30 School District Philosophy	Recommendations Accepted
2:10 School District Governance	Recommendations Accepted
2:80 Board Member Oath and Conduct	Recommendations Accepted
2:130 Board-Superintendent Relationship	Recommendations Accepted
2:240 Board Policy Development	Recommendations Accepted
3:30 Chain of Command	Recommendations Accepted
4:50 Payment Procedures	Recommendations Accepted
4:90 Student Activity & Fiduciary Funds	Recommendations Accepted with Revisions
4:180 Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery	Recommendations Accepted
5:20-E Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment	Recommendations Accepted
5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment	Recommendations Accepted
7:40 Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students	Recommendations Accepted
7:90 Release During School Hours	Recommendations Accepted
7:130 Student Rights and Responsibilities	Recommendations Accepted
7:140	Recommendations Accepted

Search and Seizure	
7:300 Extracurricular Athletics	Recommendations Accepted
7:325 Student Fundraising Activities	Recommendations Accepted
8:80 Gifts to the District	Recommendations Accepted

Committee members and administration held discussion on the recommendations for PRESS Issues 118 and 119.

Dr. Sterpin provided an update on the changes to Title IX and grievance policies. These policies will be reverted back to their prior language per law. Discussion held amongst administration and members of the committee on the recommended changes. Staff will receive updated training on policies as a part of their annual training. The non-discrimination coordinator, title IX coordinator, and complaint managers will be updated accordingly.

Policy 5:60 will not be presented to the Board for approval at the upcoming meeting. The Business Office needs to update this policy based on current District practices before approval; policy will be presented to the Board at a future meeting.

The policy committee will present all other policies recommended to the full Board at the next Board meeting for approval and recommends the waiving of the first reading to meet deadline requirements.

Adjournment

Mr. Silvay motioned to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Helms seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.