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Policies and Procedures Minutes 07/10/2008

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Policy & Procedures Subcommittee Minutes July 10, 2008 6 p.m.

Present: Mr. Curro, Mr. Curran, and Chief Jefferson

Absent: Ms. Burns

1. Motion by Mr. Curro to approve Minutes of the meeting of June 30, 2008,
Seconded by Mr. Curran VOTED: Move approval, Mr. Curro and Mr. Curran in the affirmative.
2. Discussion with Fire Chief Jefferson regarding policies concerning public safety issues. Policies EBCC, EBCB and EBC were reviewed by the Committee members with the Chief. Chief Jefferson outlined the involvement of the Fire Department within the Arlington Public Schools. The Chief discussed conducting four scheduled fire drills a year. The Chief stated depending on State Grants for Fire Prevention Education, there will be an '08 Fire Prevention Week, K-5. The Chief stated there will be summer inspections of all schools to ensure safe opening of schools in September '08. The Chief raised several issues around public safety: (1) Ensuring Fire Lanes are open at the High School and the Ottoson; (2) The Chief is sensitive to the needs when people/parents are picking up at the High School and Ottoson, and that at certain times, it can be particularly congestive during drop-off and pick-up. The Chief's concern is that there are clearly marked Fire Lanes to make sure parents are aware of their location and to allow proper enforcement of said lanes; (3) Bulletin boards need to be back at least 5 feet away from any doorways, as they are a means of egress. There is a 2003 law governing this enforcement. (4) The Chief stated he has good communication with all building school principals, and custodians and spoke of the positive work relationship he has with them.
3. Review of Section E in preparation to amend and get ready for a first reading of any policies the Subcommittee deems to be removed or amended. The following policies were raised: EC, ECAB, ECAC, ECB, EDC, EEA, EEAA, EEAEA, EEAEA-1, EEAEC, EEAEC-R, EAAF, EEAG, EFC.

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Curro, seconded by Mr. Curran. **VOTED:**
Mr. Curro and Mr. Curran voted in the affirmative.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.