FOR DISCUSSION: First Reading: Proposed Revisions to Policy 5111

Background Information

Attached for first reading are revisions to Policy 5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students.

A review of this policy was prompted by the change in the way that schools are funded. Specifically, the issue of legal transfers and accepting cash tuition transfers came to the forefront with the change because if schools are eventually fully funded by the state, there would be no charge for students to transfer from one school system to another.

The administrative guidelines for this policy are attached for information. The guidelines were changed to include updated procedures for enrolling students when parents are separated or divorced or if a child is living with someone other than his/her parent or legal guardian. Although the policy makes no provision for accepting cash tuition transfer students, the guidelines permit (item 2.d.) students who are currently enrolled as tuition students to continue on that basis.

The process of bylaw and/or policy revision is delineated in Board Bylaw 0130.1, Functions. The Bylaw requires that in most circumstances policy changes be proposed at a previous meeting of the Board and then voted on in a subsequent meeting. The proposed changes will remain on the agenda until they are either accepted or rejected.