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To: Board Policy Committee

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**Subject**: Staff Analysis Report to the Board- Policy Revision

Policy # and Name: Antiracist & Anti-oppression Learning Communities 2.10.015-P

#### **BACKGROUND**

In February 2021, the School Board approved the Antifacist & Anti-oppression Learning Communities policy, 2.10.015-P. The policy echoed and then expanded the language required by Oregon's All Students Belong legislation in committing to protecting our learning environments from expressions of hate and racism.

In 2021 (amended and effective 5/2022), the State Legislature enacted legislation to ensure that voluntary organizations working with students also have in place the same discrimination policies and procedures as school Districts. OAR 581-022-2308 requires school districts to prohibit voluntary organizations that administer interscholastic activities from working with their students unless the organization implements and adheres to equity-focused policies addressing discrimination and have transparent complaint processes in place to address violations of policy.

### **RELATED POLICIES/BEST PRACTICES**

It is best practice to conform existing policies to current law.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

These changes will incur no financial impact.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

There was no community engagement as the proposed language is statutorily required.

#### TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION/EVALUATION and COMMUNICATION PLAN

Staff will develop a communication plan within the month to disseminate the revised policy to our community.

# **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval of the revised policy.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Redline copy of Complaint Policy
- B. Clean copy of Complaint Policy