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TO: The Honorable Patricia Halagao
Chairperson, Student Achievement Committee

FROM: 
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SUBJECT: **Committee Action on Board Policy E-104, Graduates Ready for Life/Lifelong Learners**

1. RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Education (Department) recommends deleting proposed policy E-104.

2. RECOMMENDED EFFECTIVE DATE

This section is not applicable as the Department is recommending deletion of the proposed policy.

3. RECOMMENDED COMPLIANCE DATE (if different from the effective date)

See section 2.0.

4. DISCUSSION (if different from the effective date)

a. Conditions leading to the recommendation:

The Department used a cross-office strategy to review the policy listed above.

The final report from the Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) included a new organizational structure for the full portfolio of policies. This new structure defines two types of policies – “ends policies” that “envision the outcomes the Board is seeking for the educational system” and “means policies” that describe how to achieve or maintain those outcomes.

The proposal from the PIG would create a new ends policy on graduates prepared for post-secondary options that serves to provide organizational guidance to means Policy 104.1, Graduation and Related (Exhibit A).

The Department recommends deleting the proposed policy.

b. Previous action of the Board on the same or similar matter:

- November 19, 2014: Administratively referred to the Student Achievement Committee.

c. Other policies affected:

The proposal to delete this policy requires renumbering of policy 104.1 on Graduation and Related. The Department recommends renumbering 104.1 to the end of the 102 policy series.

d. Arguments in support of the recommendation:

The Department proposes deleting the policy because the proposed language is redundant to language in other ends and means policies and the proposed ends policy has only one means policy related it. Deleting the proposed policy allows the relevant means policy (104.1) to be reorganized under ends policy E-102, which streamlines the organizational structure of all of the policies.

e. Arguments against the recommendation:

Those opposing the proposed recommendation may favor an ends policy dedicated to graduation requirements and no other means policies.

f. Other agencies or departments of the State of Hawaii involved in the action:

No other agencies or departments were involved in the development of these proposed revisions.

g. Possible reaction of the public, professional organizations, unions, Department staff and/or others to the recommendation:

See section 4.e.

h. Educational implications:

There are no educational impacts at this time.

i. Facilities implications:

There are no facilities impacts at this time.

j. Financial implications:

There are no financial impacts at this time.

5. OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS

None

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Attachment: Exhibit A: Policy E104 – PIG Proposed Policy

c: Office of Strategy, Innovation, and Performance

Exhibit A: Policy E104 – PIG Proposed Policy

Policy E-104

Graduates Prepared for Post-Secondary Options

Policy: The Board of Education (Board) expects our graduates to be well prepared for all post-high school options.

Rationale: A critical dimension of a quality educational program is the extent to which it prepares all students for post-high school options by offering courses, activities, experiences, and instruction tailored to students' needs. Students must demonstrate that they have met certain minimum requirements to receive a diploma.