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TO: Superintendent Parent Advisory Council

FROM: Dr. Richard R. Labbe *RL*

DATE: 4/8/18

RE: 3/13/19 Superintendent Parent Advisory Council Meeting Follow-Up

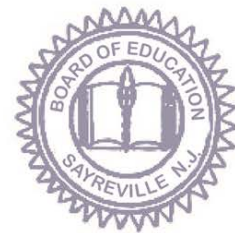
The following is a summary of the major agreements and items discussed during the Superintendent Parent Advisory Council Meeting held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

- Dr. Labbe informed the Council that Jeff Sprague is the new District School Safety and Security Specialist and summarized all the school security measures that the district will be implementing this month, including asking the Board of Education to approve making the current part-time Campus Security Monitors (CSM) full time during this Tuesday's BOE Business Meeting.
- Dr. Labbe also discussed the metal detector screening trial that was performed on Monday, March 12th at both the high school and middle school. According to Dr. Labbe, the screenings did result in about a 45-minute delay for students at the high school and about 5-10 minute delay for students at the middle school. However, as he explained to the Council, the data collected during the trial was incredibly helpful to the district in augmenting its procedures so that it could hopefully screen all 1,800 students at the high school and 1,400 students at the middle school in time for them to not miss any of 1st period. Furthermore, he shared with the Council that if the BOE were to approve making the CSMs full time on March 19th, we would pilot the procedure one last time later in that week before implementing the process on a daily basis beginning on Monday, March 25th. Lastly, he informed the Council that the next Parent University Workshop, which would take place on March 25th at 7 pm in the SWMHS Media Center, would feature a presentation by Mr. Sprague on all the current and projected school safety and security enhancements.
- In addition, Dr. Labbe reviewed with the Council highlights from the aforementioned 2019-20 Preliminary Budget in the following areas: curriculum and instruction, special services, personnel, technology, and facilities and operations.
- Dr. Labbe also informed the Council about the release of the New Jersey Performance Reports, as well as a NJ.Com article that scored and percentile ranked all schools in New Jersey. To see the article, click [here](#). As you will see, since for the most part the ratings are based upon student growth, only Samsel, the middle school, and high school were rated. Dr. Labbe went on to explain that since it is currently considered a school in need of improvement, the middle school was rated very low with a score of 26.75 and a ranking of 14.57%. Conversely, he noted that Samsel and the high school were rated higher at 49.58 (48.58%) and 48.23 (46.13%).
- Next, Dr. Labbe informed the Council that the permanent high school principal vacancy was posted on March 7th and was advertised in the New Jersey Star Ledger/NJ.Com on March 17th. When the posting closed on March 25th, nearly 50 candidates applied for the position. On March 27th, Dr. Aguiles,



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Director of Human Resources, and a site-based committee of teachers and administrators interviewed nearly a dozen candidates and selected three finalists to be interviewed by central administration. After interviewing the three candidates, Dr. Labbe will be recommending one of them to the BOE for appointment during the April 9th BOE Business Meeting

- Prior to the ending of the meeting, the Council suggested that the district give varsity letters to students at SWMHS who participate in the extra-curricular activities other than sports, such as the marching and concert bands, choir, theatre, FBLA, DECA, Odyssey of the Mind, Science Olympiad, etc.
- In addition, a Council member asked if the Project Before preschool program was going to be relocated from Samsel next year, to which Dr. Labbe responded by noting that it may be a possibility in the future if the district were to receive preschool expansion aid, but not next year.
- Likewise, a parent inquired about the dates this summer for Camp XL and Summer Enrichment. Dr. Labbe noted that Summer Enrichment will begin on July 1st and end on August 9th, while Camp XL will begin on July 8th and end on August 8th.
- Furthermore, another member asked what the district would do with the last remaining built in “snow day” if it were not to be used. Dr. Labbe indicated that as per the calendar, he would recommend to the BOE to move up the last day of school for students to Friday, June 21st.
- Finally, Dr. Labbe requested that the public April 10th SPAC Meeting be cancelled due to his obligation to attend the SWMHS National Honor Society Induction Ceremony and that the May 8th meeting serve as the second public meeting of the year. The Council unanimously agreed.

Thank you so much for your leadership, and commitment and dedication to ensuring the students in the Sayreville Public schools. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me. Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 8th at 7 pm in the Selover Conference Room.**

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CC: K. Ciak, BOE President