

## LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

### Academic Committee Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2021

Virtual Meeting

Mrs. Patricia M. Pontz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Board Members, Mrs. Patricia M. Pontz, Mr. David J. Beiler, Mr. Matthew E. Parido, Mrs. Mr. Scott Kimmel, Melissa S. Herr; Superintendent, Dr. Kevin S. Peart; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey; Community Members, Mr. Stephen McClune and Mrs. Kari Steinbacher.

#### ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

##### 1. K-12 Instructional Planning Update.

Dr. Godfrey shared with the Committee that survey data was collected from parents of online learning students to assess how many students may return to the District buildings for face-to-face instruction during the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year. Approximately 15% of current online learners may return. Dr. Godfrey informed the Committee that students would be integrated back into classrooms with little to no impact on the implementation of current building Health and Safety Plans.

##### 2. Winter Keystone Exam Implementation

Dr. Godfrey provided the Committee with an overview of the winter Keystone Exam Schedule at Lampeter-Strasburg High School. Within the current hybrid schedule, students were administered exams over a three day period based off of last name: January 6 – 8 for students with last names M-Z and January 11 – 13 for students with last names A-L. Each group of students were brought in on a Wednesday during their perspective testing week for additional instructional/testing time. Additionally, Dr. Godfrey shared that all students were administered the Keystone Exams this year online. Dr. Godfrey informed the Committee that PSSA's will also be administered online this year. Testing implementation and achievement data will be evaluated to determine the effectiveness of the online testing implementation.

##### 3. Policy 5127 Graduation Requirements

As a result of new legislation (SB1216), the requirement to use the Keystone Exams as a requirement for graduation was postponed until the graduating class of 2023. It was recommended to the Committee that policies 5127 Graduation Requirements and 5127.1 Graduation Requirements via IU13 Lancaster-Lebanon Virtual Solutions, be updated to reflect the new graduation requirements per the passage of SB1216. The recommended changes will have no impact on any other District requirements for graduation. The recommended changes would merely update graduation years in the policy to align with the updated state requirements.

The Committee was supportive of the recommended changes and the policies will be presented to the full Board of Directors at the meeting on February 1, 2021, for a first reading.

##### 4. Building Level Comprehensive Planning Goals

Dr. Godfrey shared building level Comprehensive Planning Goals with the Committee. He provided an overview of the process each building team participated in to evaluate building level strengths and challenges to determine priority areas. Goals were based on each priority area. Data used to determine strengths and challenges included:

- Parent, student, and teacher survey data

- Student Advisory Committee meeting feedback
- Student achievement data (Keystones, PSSA, Curriculum Based Measures)

Dr. Godfrey shared each buildings' goals based on each priority area and answered questions from the Committee. District level goals will be presented at the February Academic Committee meeting as part of the Comprehensive Planning Process.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.