

# LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

Academic Committee Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2023

Mr. Matthew Parido called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Board Members, Mr. Matthew E. Parido, Mrs. Melissa S. Herr; Mrs. Kari A. Steinbacher, Mr. James H. Byrnes; Mr. Andrew L. Welk; Mrs. Suzanne S. Knowles; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey; Superintendent, Dr. Kevin S. Peart; Community Member, Mrs. Amanda Schlee; Guests, High School Principal, Dr. Benjamin Feeney, Social Worker, Mrs. Michelle Brubaker, and School Counselors, Mrs. Kerri Eberly and Mrs. Katie Snook.

## ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

### 1. Lampeter-Strasburg Mentoring Program – Martin Meylin and Lampeter-Strasburg High School

District Social Worker, Michelle Brubaker, and School Counselors, Mrs. Kerri Eberly and Mrs. Katie Snook, presented a new mentoring program to support students in need at the middle and high schools. The program will recruit volunteers from the L-S community and train them to mentor matched students. An overview of the program was provided, as well as an implementation timeline. The Committee supported the program and commended the team for their hard work supporting our students in need.

### 2. 2024-2025 Lampeter-Strasburg High School Course Selection Guide

Changes/Updates – Dr. Benjamin Feeney

Dr. Feeney provided the Committee with an overview of proposed changes to the Lampeter-Strasburg High School Course Guide for the 2024-2025 School Year. These changes included language to provide additional information related to Pathways to Graduation under Act 158, and proposed new science courses, Foundations of Science and Biology (Updated).

The complete course guide will be recommended for approval at the December 4, 2023, meeting of the full Board of Directors.

### 3. 2022-2023 Achievement Data – PSSA/Keystone

Dr. Godfrey presented the 2022-2023 PSSA and Keystone Exam achievement data. He provided an overview of the data, as well as some historical perspective related to the data over time. The data presented will also be available in the L-S Growth Study on the District website.

### 4. Affiliation Agreement with Lancaster County Career and Technology Center (LCCTC)

Dr. Godfrey presented a new affiliation agreement with the LCCTC for students to receive post-secondary credits in specific programs offered at the LCCTC while also receiving credits from L-S high school. Dr. Godfrey explained that this was a new agreement that will benefit our students attending the CTC. The Committee was supportive of the new agreement, and it will be presented to the full Board of Directors for approval at the November 6, 2023, meeting.

### 5. Junior Achievement STEM Summitt MOU for Lampeter-Strasburg High School

Dr. Godfrey presented an agreement with Junior Achievement to hold a STEM Summitt at Lampeter-Strasburg High School this spring. Dr. Feeney provided an overview of the program and how it will support our current STEM programming. The Committee was supportive of the agreement.

### 6. Policy Updates

- a. 105 Curriculum
- b. 105.1 Review of Instructional Materials by Parents/Guardians and Students
- c. 105.2 Exemption from Instruction

Dr. Godfrey presented the above policies for review to the Committee. There were no comments or questions related to these policies.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.