

**Saucon Valley School District**  
**Academic and Personnel Committee**  
**July 28, 2021 – 5 pm**  
**High School Audion**

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*Welcome to the meeting of the Academic and Personnel Committee. Our objective is to serve the students, parents, and residents of our community. You are an important part of this meeting and we look forward to your questions and comments.*

*We are all here for the same reason. All opinions are welcomed and equally valuable. Our only request is that we address each other with civility and respect. Our courtesy toward each other is the best way to show our students how much we respect them as well.*

**Committee Members - Susan Baxter, Cedric Dettmar, Tracy Magnotta,  
Shamim Pakzad**

**Committee Agenda**

- I. Call to the Order – Tracy Magnotta, Committee Chair**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Recording of Attendance – Tracy Magnotta, Committee Chair**
- IV. Motion to Approve Agenda**
- V. Approval of Minutes – June 23, 2021**
- VI. Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only – Visitors should state their name and address**
- VII. Discussion**
  - 1. Update on Class Size K - 8
  - 2. Update on Spanish Immersion Year One Implementation
  - 3. Update on PE Test Out Exam, Study Guide, and Procedure
  - 4. Update on Special Education Topics
- VIII. New Business**
- IX. Old Business**
- X. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments – Visitors should state their name and address.**

**XI. Announcements**

**Future Meetings ~**

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

**XII. Motion to Adjourn Meeting**

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Minutes of June 23, 2021**

Present were Academic and Personnel Committee Board Members: Susan Baxter, Cedric Dettmar, and Tracy Magnotta. Also present were: Dr. Craig Butler, Lynn Cheddar, Board Member Michael Karabin, Jaime Vlasaty, and Board Member Shawn Welch.

Meeting began at 5:12 pm

Approve agenda motion by Dettmar, second by Baxter

Approve minutes motion by Dettmar, second by Baxter

Courtesy of the Floor none

I. After School Remediation

Dr. Butler presented information on attendance and grades for the 3rd and 4th quarter as well as final grades for students attending the After School Remediation Grades 7 - 12. Mr. Dettmar recommended a further report analyzing what elements of the program worked well and which didn't. Ms. Baxter also recommended an analysis of failure numbers at the end of the year and how they coincide with student participation in the After School Program be completed.

II. Title Grants

Ms. Cheddar presented information on Title I, II, IV, and Ready to Learn grants for the upcoming school year. The attached chart summarizes the information presented.

III. Ms. Vlasaty gave a brief report on half day kindergarten. Numbers are still fluctuating in terms of families who are completely committed to the half day program. She should know more in the coming weeks should there be enough families to justify one half day section.

IV. Report on Professional Development

Ms. Cheddar gave a presentation summarizing the summer boot camp professional development session. She highlighted the focus areas for PD work the past two weeks for the committee while including some anecdotal information with regard to faculty engagement, participation, and satisfaction.

Under new business Mr. Karabin recommended a more in depth report to the board on the number of student failures and an analysis as to the cause of failures for the July board meeting.

Citizens' inquiries and comments – No comments

No new business or old business.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm.

Announcement of future meetings:

Wednesday, July 28, 2021  
Wednesday, August 25, 2021

## Grant Budgets 2021-2022

### Ready to Learn: \$142,538.00

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