

**Saucon Valley School District  
Academic and Personnel Committee  
Minutes of March 24, 2021**

Present were Academic and Personnel Committee Board Members: Susan Baxter, Cedric Dettmar, Tracy Magnotta, and Dr. Shamim Pakzad. Also present were: Dr. Craig Butler, Molly Cook, Board Member Michael Karabin, Board Member Sandra Miller, Lindsey Permar, and Jaime Vlasaty

Meeting commenced at 5:05 pm

Agenda approved by Mr. Cedric Dettmar, second by Mrs. Tracy Magnotta

Minutes approved by Mr. Cedric Dettmar, second by Mrs. Susan Baxter

Courtesy of the floor - None

Agenda items

1. **Spanish Immersion Program** – Ms. Cook and Ms. Permar gave a presentation on Spanish Immersion Program development for the 2021-22 school year. Specifics of the presentation were, what is immersion, what does research say about immersion, local program comparison, class size, mission, vision, and goals of the program, program structure/instruction/assessment and accountability, family and community communication and involvement, and finally the registration process.
2. **2021-2022 School Calendar** - Dr. Butler presented a draft of the 2021-2022 school calendar. He stated that building in professional development opportunities throughout the year, minimizing student half days, and honoring the language in the teacher contract relative to the school year were important factors considered. Dr. Butler walked through each month of the 2021-22 calendar highlighting specifically marked days as indicated on the calendar. The committee voted unanimously to move the calendar to the April 13th Board meeting.
3. **Policy Review** - Policies 216, 222, 323, 423 and 523 were reviewed and discussed by the committee. The committee voted unanimously to move the policies to the April 13th Board meeting for first reading.

Citizens' inquiries and comments – No comments

No new business or old business.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Announcement of future meetings:

Wednesday, April 28, 2021  
Wednesday, May 26, 2021  
Wednesday, June 23, 2021