

**Saucon Valley School District  
Academic and Personnel Committee  
Minutes of October 7, 2020 Zoom Meeting**

Present were Academic and Personnel Committee Board Members: Tracy Magnotta, Cedric Dettmar, and Susan Baxter. Also present were: Administrators Craig Butler, Jaime Vlasaty, Lynn Cheddar, Jim Deegan, and Tamara Gary and School Directors Ed Andres, Shawn Welch, Michael Karabin, and Sandra Miller.

Call to Order 5:05 pm

Mr. Dettmar, second by Mrs. Baxter, made a motion to approve the agenda.

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Agenda:

1. Policy 103.2 – Title IX/Nondiscrimination – Based on Sex - Ms. Cheddar and Dr. Butler summarized the changes and modifications to the Title IX Non-Discrimination draft policy. Such changes included the definition of advisor, the labeling of decision maker, the identification of standard of proof (clear and convincing), the elimination of specific names and duties, the inclusion of supportive measures, and some wording and typographical adjustments. After considering comments from committee members with recommended modifications, the policy was approved by a unanimous vote to be moved to the October 13, 2020 Board meeting. Likewise, the administrative regulations for 103.2 were modified slightly and also moved to the October 13, 2020 Board meeting.
2. School Wide Plan 2020-21 - Ms. Cheddar presented the 2020- 2021 Consolidated Plan to the committee. She highlighted the goals, objectives, and projected outcomes. Committee members posed questions and sought clarification on several aspects of the Plan, ultimately voting to unanimously move the item to the October 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

Citizens' Inquiries and Comments –Two members of the school community shared comments about the Read Aloud book "Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You". Comments were shared as to the validity and value of the Read Aloud activity. Committee members shared comments about their concerns with the ideologies espouse in the book. Dr. Butler and Mrs. Vlasaty will review the merits of the book and its connection to the English Language Arts curriculum/standards. Following the review a decision will be made relative to the continuance of the activity.

Mr. Dettmar, and second by Ms. Magnotta moved to adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.