

Saucon Valley School District
Academic and Personnel Committee
May 19, 2020 – 5 pm
ZOOM Meeting

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** – May 6, 2020
- VI. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only** – *Visitors should state their name and address*
- VII. **Discussion**
 - A. Food Allergy Regulations Review
 - B. Honors Calculus Textbook Request
 - C. 2020 - 2021 Continuity of Education Plan Work Group Update
- VIII. **New Business**
- IX. **Old Business**
- X. **Citizens' Inquiries and Comments** – *Visitors should state their name and address.*

XI. Announcements

Future Meetings ~

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

XII. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

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Academic and Personnel Committee of the Board
May 6, 2020 5pm, virtual meeting via Zoom

Meeting called to order 5:08pm by Mrs. Baxter.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance: Committee: Mr. Dettmar, Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Magnotta (6:00p), Dr. Pakzad (5:25p), Additional Board Members: Mrs. Sandy Miller, Mr. Ed Andres, Mr. Shawn Welch, Administration: Dr. Butler, Dr. Rosenberger, Ms. Tamara Gary, Mrs. Cindy Motter, Mr. James Deegan, Mrs. Jaime Vlasaty, Mr. Bob Frey, Ms. Lynn Cheddar, Mr. Tom Halcisak, Mr. Sakelarides, Ms. Braxmeier Visitors: Deb Lacey, Lara McCarthy, Matt Evancho, Kellie King, Jim Colbert, Pam Dobson, Robert Kachmar.

Agenda approved for the meeting this evening, 04/21/2020 motion by Mrs. Baxter and second by Mr. Dettmar.

Minutes from the 02/18/19 meeting were approved – motion by Mr. Dettmar and second by Mrs. Magnotta.

Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors: None

Agenda:

1. **Data Warehousing Vendors** – Ms. Cheddar presented a follow-up discussion to questions from the Data Warehouse presentation given to the committee on April 21st. Areas discussed included the matrix/rubric used to score the presentations of three new warehouses that were presented to the committee of teachers and administrators over the past year, pricing review, sample reports from the systems, and the availability of all vendors if Board approved to have the district up and running for use in the 2020-2021 school year. The proposal was supported by the committee and will move forward to the Board on May 12th
2. **Policy Review 209.2, 222, 323, 423, 523** – Policy 209.2 (Food Allergy Management) Dr. Butler reviewed the policy and will provide further specifics on administrative procedures as noted in the policy prior to the May 12th Board Meeting. The committee is moving this policy to the Board for first reading on May 12th. Policies on Tobacco Use were reviewed by Dr. Butler: 222 (pupils), 323 (administrative employees), 423 (professional employees), and 523 (classified employees). These policies will remain with the committee while Dr. Butler gathers information from the Solicitor for further clarity on some of the language within the policies.

New Business –

Grading during the school closure was discussed. Buildings were finalizing any plans for adjustments to be made to grading practices. Principals shared their current status.

The current Continuity of Education plan was discussed with respect to the instruction provided by teachers.

Graduation and Senior end-of-year events were discussed with respect to concern for the current planning by some parents and students.

Old Business - None

Meeting adjourned (motion by Mr. Dettmar and second by Mrs. Magnotta).