

Act 141 Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2023
5:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Committee Members: Darnise Anderson, Christine Anderson (Zoom), Dr. Andria Saia, Dr. Tamara Willis, Eugene Spells, Melanie Cook, Michele Rolko, Doug Thompson Leader, Dr. Marisol Craig, Dr. Travis Waters, Dr. Lori Suski

Director of IT: Adam Nornhold

- Dr. Waters welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if anyone had any questions regarding the 3rd quarter report that Dr. Suski recently submitted to the judge. No one had any questions.
- Dr. Waters reviewed three strategic priorities that he and Dr. Suski gleaned from the prior month's committee meeting discussions: 1) Culture and Climate; 2) Early Childhood; and 3) College and Career Readiness.
- Dr. Waters asked that the committee divide into three small groups to focus on reviewing the ideas listed below each priority and to draft a possible goal statement for their assigned priority.
- See small groups listed in the document below along with the proposed academic goal suggested by each group.
- The committee reconvened at 5:55 p.m. to share out their proposed goals. Dr. Waters indicated that these draft goals would be shared with the internal Act 141 team at their upcoming meeting on May 22, 2023.
- The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.
- The next meeting is now scheduled for Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Lincoln Administration Building.

Harrisburg School District's Amended Recovery Plan
Proposed Revised Academic Goals

For consideration as part of the discussion:

- **Develop measurable goals and eventual action steps**
- **Setting conditions/establishing a foundation for practice**
- **More flexibility to provide evidence to prove goal completion**
- **Policies and procedures**
- **Focus on talent management and professional development**
- **Sustainability**
- **What's within our control that we can complete in two school years?**

1. Culture & Climate (Strategic Priority)

(Eugene Spells, Melanie Cook, Christine Anderson)

- Welcoming environment
- Safe
- Orderly
- Promotes learning
- Bully-free
- Sense of belonging
- Learning mode (in-person vs. virtual)
- PBIS
- Safety monitors/protocols
- Academic/instructional focus

GOAL: The Harrisburg School District will create an environment where all stakeholders feel welcome, accepted, and valued when interacting with all School District entities.

2. Early Learning (Strategic Priority)

(Marisol Craig, Michele Rolko, Doug Thompson Leader)

- Focus on early literacy
- Social-emotional learning
- Community partnerships and resources
- School readiness

- Family engagement
- Policy to commit to sustainability

GOAL: The Harrisburg School District will establish and implement a comprehensive system and processes to support early learning (birth to age 4) and Grades K – 2.

3. College & Career Readiness (Strategic Priority)

(Tamara Willis, Andria Saia, Darnise Anderson)

- Standards-aligned curriculum
- Data to drive instruction
- Evidence-based instructional practices
- Career pathways
- Apprenticeships/internships
- Community partnerships
- Service learning projects
- Industry-based certifications

GOAL: The Harrisburg School District will establish and implement a comprehensive system and process to support transition to post-secondary opportunities (school, work, military, entrepreneurship).