

Saucon Valley School District Academic and Personnel Committee

January 7, 2026 – 5:00 pm
District Office Conference Room

Welcome to the Academic and Personnel Committee meeting. 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 welcome 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 - William Broun, Cedric Dettmar, Shamim Pakzad, J.Christian Tatu

Committee Agenda

- I. Call to the Order –***J. Christian Tatu, Committee Chair*
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Recording of Attendance –** *J. Christian Tatu, Committee Chair*
- IV. Motion to Approve Agenda –**
- V. Approval of Minutes –** December 17, 2025
- VI. Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only -** *Visitors should state their name and address.*
- VII. Discussion & Action:** Update on High School Program of Studies
- VIII. New Business**
- IX. Old Business**
- X. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments – Announcements**
Future Meetings ~ Wednesday, January 7, 2026 – 5:00 PM
- XI. Motion to Adjourn Meeting**

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Minutes of December 17, 2025

Present at the December 17, 2025, Academic & Personnel Committee were Committee Members – Mr. William Broun, Mr. Cedric Dettmar, Dr. Shamim Pakzad, and J.Christian Tatu
Also present were Superintendent Jaime Vlasaty; David Bonenberger, Business Manager; Dr. Bruce Tinor, Assistant Superintendent; Jillian Brodhead, Director of Special Education; Dr. Richard Kasky, HS Principal; and Julie Davis, Assistant HS Principal. Visitors: Vivian Demko, Board President; Meghan Lomangino, Board Vice President; Lara McCarthy; Rachel Alderfer; Colleen Wetmore; Robyn Heppenheimer; teachers in the District.

I. Call to the Order –5:05 pm by *J. Christian Tatu, Committee Chair*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recording of Attendance – *J. Christian Tatu, Committee Chair*

3-Present, 1-Absent/late (Pakzad 5:07 pm)

IV. Motion to Approve Agenda – Mr. Dettmar seconded by Mr. Broun Vote: 3- Yes, 0-No

V. Approval of Minutes – Mr. Broun, seconded by Mr. Dettmar moved to approve the minutes of November 5, 2025. Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No

VI. Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only - None

VII. Discussion & Action: High School Program of Studies

Ensure dual enrollment credit listed on HS transcripts

Honors English 9 board requested review of 9/10 combination

Concert Band – grammatical correction line 1, designed to” provide” students

AP Music Theory – prerequisite concern, may reduce enrollment or become half year insufficient for exam preparation. Requested notation next to the 1 Credit to explain

Algebra 1A/1B – Discussion regarding data provided for having both courses

Motion to move Program of Studies to January 13, 2026 board meeting by Dr. Pakzad. Vote:

2-Yes, 1-No Dr. Tatu requested time to address questions. Principals will bring back any recommended changes based on the concerns raised. Mr. Broun left early at 6:25 pm

VIII. Update: Technology Committee Update

Dr. Tinor provided an update on the AI working group's status. Group A is reviewing policies, and Group B is reviewing resources.

AI Policy framework – identify district needs and pilot resources for teachers and students.

Goal to roll out next year.

IX. New Business

X. Old Business

XI. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments –Mrs. McCarthy asked why the attachments aren't visible to parents for transparency.

XII. Announcements

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XIII. Motion to Adjourn Meeting – The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.