

STERLING HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Education Committee Meeting

Date: 2/16/23

Start Time: 6:30

Meeting End Time: 8:40

Attendees: Jason Clark, Shawn Nicholas, Emily Reich, Bill Hiltner, Jarod Claybourn, Jim McCullough, Robynn Considine, Rachel Ravior, and Matthew Sheehan

Education Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Education / Curriculum / Guidance

- a. Job Fairs
 - i. TCNJ, Rowan, and Rancocas Valley Diversity Job Fair (4/19/23)
 - 1. Tech
 - 2. Math
- b. Safety Shields
 - i. Reviewed at School Climate and Safety team level
- c. Pride review
 - i. History, Purpose, Cost, Shared Service potential
- d. Saturday 3 Hour Detentions 23-24 (Action step to reduce suspensions)
- e. QSAC
 - i. Formal Approval of DIP: [QSAC DIP](#)
- f. Review of E-Hallpass system
 - i. Vaping update
- g. Seal of Biliteracy
 - i. Two students will receive at graduation
- h. NJGPA Testing/Calendar adjustment
 - i. Approved schedule adjustment
- i. Data Review and Schedule/Leveling Proposal
 - i. Reviewed slide presentation and approved recommendations about leveling, pieces of data for future determinations, staffing, full-year math for 9th graders
- j. Shared Service SMP; Placement & Honors Testing Strategy for middle school; timing of test, where, etc.

II. Athletics / Activities / Performing Arts

- a. Spring Coaches
 - i. BOE approved 3/2/23
- b. Spring Musical
 - i. Staffing
- c. Softball Trip

- d. Jazz Band Competition / Trips
 - i. 9 Competitions 2/17/23 - 4/21/23
- e. Radio / TV Production
 - i. Rowan Film Festival 2/24/23
 - ii. CCC E-Sports
- f. BIU
 - i. Recognized leaders for VB4Cause, various other events
- g. Middle School Mock Trial
- h. Graduation
 - i. Tickets - 6 per graduate
 - ii. BOE Diploma Request - prefer formal nature and flow of limited presenters
 - iii. Caps - discussed limited but preferred uniform
- i. Sr Trip update and rooming (Gender/transgender)

III. Policy

- a. Updates: [Policy Review](#)
 - i. Policy 2312: Class Size
 1. Discussed request and appeal process.
 2. Need to take into account pupil needs, curriculum requirements, districts finances, supply limitations
 3. Admin determines, with BOE approval, what courses are adequately enrolled
 4. Class size BOE approved in June, June 30th deadline, appeals to Academic committee, once heard / decisions are final, typical requests, increase 2nd semester senior year, ripple effect peer group
 5. Unfair advantages related class rank
 6. If schedules changes could reduce number of requests
 - ii. P0152 - Board Officers (Revised)
 - iii. P0161 - Call, Adjournment, and Cancellation (Revised)
 - iv. P0162 - Notice of Board Meetings (Revised)
 - v. P & R 2324 - Bilingual and ESL Education (M) (Revised)
 - vi. P2425 - Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program (M) (Revised)
 - vii. R2425 - Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program (M) (New)
 - viii. P & R 5200 - Attendance (M) (Revised)
 - ix. P5512 - Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (M) (Revised)
 - x. P8140 - Student Enrollment (M) (Revised)
 - xi. R8140 - Enrollment Accounting (M) (Revised)
 - xii. P&R 8330 - Student Records (M) (Revised)
 - xiii. R8420.2 - Bomb Threats (M) (Revised)
 - xiv. R8420.7 - Lockdown Procedures (M) (Revised)
 - xv. R8420.10 - Active Shooter (M) (Revised)

IV. Open End

- a. Schedule Update
- b. Recent School Incident