LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

Academic Committee Meeting Minutes April 12, 2021 Virtual Meeting

Mrs. Patricia M. Pontz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Board Members, Mrs. Patricia M. Pontz, Mr. David J. Beiler, Mrs. Melissa S. Herr, Mr. Scott J. Kimmel, Mr. Matthew E. Parido; Superintendent, Dr. Kevin S. Peart; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey; Community Members, Mr. Stephen McClune and Mrs. Kari Steinbacher.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. K-12 Instructional Planning Update

Dr. Godfrey shared with the Committee that all District instructional programming continues to meet students' needs within the confines of the District's Health and Safety Plan. Online student numbers did not fluctuate much since our last meeting.

Dr. Peart provided the Committee with an updated overview of current elementary enrollment aligned with the current number of elementary classroom sections by grade level. He provided the Committee with updated elementary grade level enrollment projections for the 2021-2022 school year based on current enrollment and the anticipated number of students that may return from online learning and/or homeschool as a result of the pandemic.

2. Dual Enrollment Update and Contract Renewals

Dr. Godfrey provided the committee with an update on the current dual and concurrent enrollment agreements offered to students at Lampeter-Strasburg High School. He provided the Committee with the updated data related to the number of students taking dual enrollment courses, as well as the types of courses taken. He shared that numbers were higher this year compared to last year and that many students were taking advantage of the online courses offered by various colleges and/or universities. Dr. Godfrey shared that he would continue to work with the high school to promote these opportunities to students as we move into the 2021-2022 school year.

Dr. Godfrey also presented a dual enrollment contract with Millersville University and an early enrollment contract with Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology for renewal. Dr. Godfrey answered questions related to the documents. The Committee was supportive of presenting both agreements to the full Board of Directors for approval at the Board meeting on May 3, 2021.

3. Textbook Approval - Middle School Math

Dr. Godfrey shared with the Committee that the Martin Meylin Middle School math department had concluded it's evaluation of potential textbooks for the next six-year cycle. Dr. Godfrey reviewed the process utilized this year for the evaluation of materials and shared with the Committee that the department was recommending the adoption of Into Mathematics by Houghton Mifflin. Dr. Godfrey shared the total cost of the adoption was about \$92,000 and was already included in the 2021-2022 budget projections. The potential cost of this adoption was shared in advance prior to selection with both Academic and Finance Committees. Dr. Godfrey answered questions form the Committee. The Committee was supportive of presenting the textbook approval to the full Board of Directors for approval at the Board meeting on May 3, 2021.

4. Hybrid / Professional Development Contract with IU13 for 2021-2022

Dr. Godfrey presented a contract for services with IU13 for Professional Development and Hybrid Personalized Learning Coaching for the 2021-2022 school year. Dr. Godfrey shared that our staff has established excellent rapport with the IU coaches and the services have directly impacted student learning. The Committee supported the recommendation and then agreed to move the requested contract for services to the full Board of Directors for consideration at the Board meeting on May 3, 2021.

ITEMS FROM THE GROUP

No additional items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.