



Education and Programs Committee Minutes May 20, 2021

Committee Purpose

The Committee provides the School Board with a high-level overview of the educational and extra-curricular programming of the district; acts as a sounding board for various potential changes in programming, while providing a conduit of communication and recommendations back to the full School Board.

Committee Leadership

Maria Hoover

Linda Johnston, School Board Committee Chair

Jim Maurer, School Board Committee Chair

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Administration Building Public Board Room

Attendees:

Board Members: Linda Johnston, Jim Maurer, Dylan Bard, Charles Merris, Adam Aloisi

Staff: Maria Hoover, Kathy Deisley, Jason Hoffman, Joanne Jones, Tab Musser, Jeremy Paul, Mark Ashley, Mike Graham

Time for Public Comment (5-minute limit per Board Policy 903):

Agenda Items:

HVA Updates: Maria Hoover

- We had our first information session on May 19th with 8 families in attendance. Additional sessions are scheduled for June 22nd and July 15th. Sessions will be recorded and posted on our website.
- We are working on the marketing plan for the program:
 - Placing a ½ page add in Merchandiser
 - Principals made phone calls to current virtual and HAVEN students. Most families would like to see their kids back in school.
 - We will continue the marketing portion throughout the summer.
- Registrations for HVA will be accepted throughout the summer. Families must commit to a full semester in the program. If you are a Kindergarten student or new to the district, families must first register with the district, then for HVA.
- We are currently developing orientation for students and families for the beginning of August.



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- The job posting for HVA teachers is available and we are looking at applicants. Technology is working on a training program for these teachers.

Initial Enrollment K-6: Maria Hoover

- The enrollment process is based on past practice that we strive to limit grades K-2 at 25 students or less and grade 3-6 at 27 students or less.
- We started reviewing the numbers back in March, eventually folding in virtual and HAVEN students. The monitoring occurs monthly, then bi-weekly and then daily (in August).
- Many students came back in-person for the 3rd trimester.
- Maria shared the current numbers with the group, as well as the current class average.
- We do factor in the pending students eventually. Pending students are those who start the registration process and are not finished/or never finish. Currently we have 45 pending students.
- These numbers also include special education students that push into the classroom but this is not reflective of what the full day looks like.
- At this point (May 20th), we do not need to add any more contracts.
- We are watching the numbers in some classrooms. We do watch grade 1 closely since private K students could inflate our numbers.
- The plan is to continue to monitor enrollment and if anything changes, Maria will inform the board with recommendations.

Health and PE Electives: Kathy Deisley/Mark Ashley

- We have new optional courses for the 2022-2023 school year.
- Total curriculum prep cost = \$1,518. Curriculum work will begin over the summer and into next year.
 - **HPE Department New Course: Sports Performance I, II, III**
 - .5 credit course
 - Option for students' 11th grade PE requirement
 - Option for 12th grade elective
 - Will replace Advanced Strength Training and Conditioning
 - Designed for athletes looking to train during their competitive season and in the off-season
 - Structured to improve performance and help reduce risk of injury
 - **HPE Department New Course: Movement, Exploration, and Dance**
 - .5 credit course
 - Option for students' 11th grade PE requirement
 - Option for 12th grade elective



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- Development of body awareness, core strength, flexibility, balance control, and coordination
- Structured to improve performance and help reduce risk of injury

Data Warehouse: Jeremy Paul

Jeremy reviewed the status of where we are with purchasing a data warehouse. He is waiting for final numbers and ready to make a decision soon. He explained the importance of a warehouse and the benefits to our school district.

- What is a Data Warehouse?
 - Master database that connects student data together from multiple sources to be reviewed and analyzed
 - Allows districts the ability to write queries to display the information they need and access it when they need to
 - Allows for automated transfer of data and manual uploads
 - Provides clear picture of student performance at an individual level or group level
 - Contains visual dashboards and additional reporting
 - Local, state, and national assessment data
- Importance of a Data Warehouse:
 - View specific assessment and additional student data in one location
 - Identify student's strengths, weaknesses and gaps
 - Help guide teachers and adjust instruction for individual and groups of students
 - Easily identify trends and learning loss (academic, attendance, behavior)
 - Analyze and predict
 - Report and filter data tool sets for teachers, building/district administrators
 - Easy to navigate for all stakeholders
 - Flexibility
- Data Included:
 - Local Data (course related data, local assessments)
 - PA State Assessments (PSSA/Keystones)
 - National Assessments
 - Intervention
 - Other PowerSchool SIS Data (Attendance/Incidents)
 - Schoology
 - 5 years of data



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- Advanced Student Data:
 - Early Warning
 - College and Career Readiness
 - Social Emotional Learning

- Costs:
 - We are continuing negotiations with vendors and looking for a 3-year contract.
 - The overall costs will be between \$75,000-\$160,000.

Maria Hoover, Kathy Deisley and Jason Hoffman shared their experience and examples of how a powerful data warehouse helped them in their previous districts.

The board would like a few more examples on how the warehouse will help to make decisions and save time.

Future Meeting Dates:

TBD

Meeting ended: 6:25 pm