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

Committee Leadership
Maria Hoover, Assistant Superintendent
Linda Johnston, School Board Committee Chair
Jim Maurer, School Board Committee Chair

Start Time: 5:01 p.m.

Location: Performing Arts Center, Hempfield High School

Attendees:

Board Members: Grant Keener, Linda Johnston, Mike Donato

Absent: Jim Maurer, Charles Merris, Chris Smiley, Bill Otto, Dylan Bard, Pat Wagner

Staff: Mike Graham, Tab Musser, Maria Hoover, Jason Hoffman, Carrie Wilson, Alejandro Ramos

Time for Public Comment (5-minute limit per Board Policy 903): None

Agenda Items:
• Second Step: Carrie Wilson
  o Social emotional learning experience
  o Web based curriculum for kindergarten through sixth grade across the district
  o Now offered in digital format (new)
  o Digital format adapts to student needs and changes
  o Engaging, led by teachers, has a variety of activities, and is interactive
  o Four units:
    ▪ Growth mindset/goal setting
    ▪ Emotion management
    ▪ Empathy/kindness
    ▪ Problem-solving
  o Units change as the developmental needs of the students change
  o Each unit has five lessons 15-30 minutes (depending on grade level)
  o Board was shown an example of a lesson
o Staff will be trained
  o Feedback received from teachers and students was positive
  o Upcoming ESSER III grant has large social/emotional work component
  o Funding would come from the Federal grant
  o Next step: Further discussion and training needs
  o Will bring back to the board at a later time

- **Elementary Math Pilot Update:** Jason Hoffman
  o Piloting three different math programs (kindergarten through sixth grade)
  o Each of the companies has given the district office hours from 8 to 8:45 via Zoom
  o Will look at data, teacher feedback and student response in the classroom to make the determination which program is best

- **Pre-K Counts:** Maria Hoover
  o Working with Owl Hill Learning Centers
  o Grant reopened early in the spring of 2020
  o A Pre-K class will be offered in conjunction with Owl Hill to mirror kindergarten
  o Two classes will be offered (morning and afternoon) and will be housed at LPC
  o Program to start on October 25
  o Families need to meet specific criteria (income levels) to qualify (done by Owl Hill)
  o Parents provide transportation to and from the program
  o Breakfast and lunch are provided

- **Musical Proposal:** Alejandro Ramos
  o Presented a proposal to the board for review
  o Looking for official approval at the board meeting on October 12
  o Seeking approval of The Wizard of Oz as the spring musical
  o Health and safety plan (updated from last year)
  o Board requested a budget breakdown for the meeting on October 12

**Meeting adjourned: 6:04 p.m.**

**Future Meeting Dates:**
October 28, 2021
November 18, 2021