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Lacey Township School District Board of Education Curriculum Committee Minutes

Curriculum, Special Education, Health & Wellness, Community Relations, LTEA Liaison, Technology

Minutes - June 9, 2025 @ 2:30 pm Board Office

Call to Order:	2:30 pm
Members Present:	Linda Walker - Chairperson Sal Armato Dan Bell, Alternate William W. Zylinski - Acting Superintendent Dr. Timothy Dowd - District Supervisor Mallory Krakovsky - District Supervisor
Meeting Adjourned:	4:00pm

<u>Curriculum</u>

- <u>Comprehensive Equity Plan</u> (Joseph Bond)
 - Mr. Bond presented the final draft of the Comprehensive Equity Plan as required by the NJDOE. It will be approved by the full Board at the June meeting.
- **NJDOE FOCUS Grant** we have been awarded the NJDOE Funding for Optimal Comprehensive Universal Screeners (FOCUS) grant. This grant is to assist in adopting and implementing high-quality universal literacy screeners for kindergarten through grade 3 students, in alignment with state requirements and the Universal Literacy Screening Criteria. With the \$10,500 awarded, we will purchase the MAP Reading Comprehension tool to enhance our early literacy efforts. This assessment will help us identify students' needs more effectively and provide targeted support to ensure every child builds a strong foundation in reading.
 - This Grant will provide the funds to implement a universal dyslexia screener as required by the NJDOE.
- Start Times for LHS (8:15) and CCS (8:00)
 - Due to increased car traffic as a result of no more courtesy bussing
 - Mr. Zylinski talked about some of the changes due to the elimination of courtesy bussing and one of the plans included

flipping the start times for LHS and CCS to alleviate some of the car traffic.

- Title IV
 - cuts in federal funding funding may result in some co-curricular programs
 - Mr. Zylinski discussed some of the reductions that will have to take place due to reduced federal funding in certain co curricular programs. The principals will meet to decide on the appropriate cuts.
- Early Graduation Student #909252
 - Mr. Zylinski led the discussion to allow a high school student to graduate early. The committee approved the request and it will be put on the Board agenda for approval.
- List of Funding Priorities (What will be restored if possible)
 - Mr. Zylinski led a discussion of funding priorities should any of the lost state monies be restored to the district in the upcoming year. Curriculum purchases were at the top of the list.

Special Education

- Tier One special education monitoring
 - Mr. Bond shared the results of our special education monitoring that took place with the NJDOE. Mr. Bond stated that there were several findings that will be addressed by the district but we scored well so there will be no in person monitoring required by the state.

Technology

- 6th grade Chromebook replacements
 - The technology department will move forward with the planned purchase of 6th grade chromebooks. 6th graders receive their chromebooks and they will keep the same chromebook until their senior year.

Personnel

- Supervisor of Guidance (final interviews)
 - Mr. Zylinski described the process and should have a candidate for the June meeting.
- Paraprofessional Discussion
 - Mr. Zylinski led a paraprofessional discussion.
- LTASA letter in support of Supervisors
 - Mr. Zylinski shared communication from the LTASA.

LTEA

- LTEA June 20th Discussion
 - Mr. Zylinski led a discussion with regards to June 20th.

<u>Other</u>

- Naming Rights Tennis Courts (Charlie Reider)
 - The Committee has recommended that the board approve the request to name the high school tennis courts after long time teacher Charlie Reider.
- 25-26 Facilities Calendar
 - The Committee was shown the facilities calendar to be approved at the June Board meeting.
- LTASA Settlement
 - The committee was presented with the settlement agreement that includes contract language changes for approval at the June Board Meeting.
- RFP Lawn Maintenance (Meticulous)
 - Mr. Zylinski discussed the awarding of a contract.
- RFP Legal Council (Review begins on 6/10/25)
 - Mr. Zylinski discussed the upcoming opening of bids for general council.
- RFP Architect (4 Presentations at finance committee)
 - Mr. Zylinski spoke about the presentation of architects that will take place at the Finance Committee meeting.
- Class Action Suit against social media companies (discussion)
 - Mr. Zylinski asked the committee to participate in a class action lawsuit related to social media and they agreed to participate.
- List of restored funding priorities 25-26

Next Meeting - Scheduled for August 11, 2025 @ 2:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

William W. Zylinski

Acting Superintendent