#### Tredyffrin/Easttown School District BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE

May 7, 2018 6:30 pm TEAO, Meeting Room 200

#### Agenda

- I. Approval of revised March 5, 2018 Minutes
- II. Approval of April 2, 2018 Minutes
- III. High School Room Utilization
- IV. Graduation and All School Scholars
- V. Other
- VI. Public Comment

#### **Board Education Committee Goals**

- 1. Review the recommended administrative changes to the academic program that have impact on curriculum or budget and communicate recommendations to the full Board.
- 2. Review all enrollment and staffing numbers and projections for the year to determine the extent to which educational needs are addressed.
- 3. Review student assessment results.
- 4. Recommend informational education presentations to include in the monthly Board meetings as priority discussions.
- 5. Receive administrative recommendation for school calendar and make recommendation to the full Board.
- 6. Review current programming to determine alignment with federal and state mandates including Keystone Exams content and implementation.
- 7. Make recommendations to Board committees to communicate appropriate educational positions to legislators.
- 8. Review current programming at the middle school level.

#### DRAFT PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 5, 2018

# Tredyffrin/Easttown Administrative Offices 6:30 p.m.

#### Attending all or part of the meeting:

**Board Committee Members:** Roberta Hotinski (chair), Kyle Boyer, Katharine Murphy, Tina Whitlow

Other Board Members: Michele Burger, Scott Dorsey, Heather Ward

**TE School District Representatives:** Wendy Towle (Administrative Liaison), Michele Staves, Nancy Adams, Chris Groppe, Richard Gusick, Nicole Roy, Kate Parker

**Community Members:** Ray Clarke, Sarah Culbert, Jerry Henige, Cheryl Lowery, Jamie Lynch, Kate Mayer, Wendy DiMarco, Sarah Henry, Jessica Schneck, Cheryl Lowery, Nicole Brigham, Stephanie Tanner, Ellen Galka, Susan McGowan, Karen Huang, Jessica Tinneny, Marine Havel, Wendy Brooks, Lori Peterson, Giulia Ghibellini

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

#### **Public Comment:**

Jessica Tinneny\_commented on the **Special Education Report**. Kate Mayer commented on the **Special Education Report**. Wendy Brooks commented on the **Special Education Report**. Lori Peterson commented on the **Special Education Report**. Giulia Ghibellini commented on the **Special Education Report**. Susan McGowan commented on the **Special Education Report**. Ray Clarke commented on the **Special Education Report**. Cheryl Lowery commented on the **Special Education Report**. Wendy DiMarco commented on the **Special Education Report**. Jessica Schneck commented on the **Special Education Report**.

Kate Mayer commented on **Reading Support Programs in TESD.** Lori Peterson commented on **Reading Support Programs in TESD.** Susan McGowan commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** Ellen Galka commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** Lori Peterson commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** Susan McGowan commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** Susan McGowan commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** Ray Clarke commented on the **Reading Support Program in TESD.** 

Ray Clarke commented on the **Business Curriculum**. Karen Huang commented on the **Business Curriculum**.

Marine Havel commented on school start times. Approval of Minutes:

The February 5, 2018 minutes were approved.

#### **Committee Discussion and Recommendations:**

The Committee received the **Special Education Report** from Chris Groppe, Director of Individualized Student Services. Mr. Groppe updated the Committee on the District's continuum of student services, multi-tiered intervention, student health services, psychological services, mental health supports, numbers of special education students and caseload limits, staffing, budget impact items, and points of pride. He shared selected results from the 2017 parent survey on special education that is part of the state's cyclical monitoring process. Mr. Groppe answered several questions from community and Committee members.

The Committee reviewed **Reading Support Programs in TESD.** Michele Staves, Curriculum Supervisor of Language Arts updated the Committee on the District's reading support program from K-12. She presented an overview of the balanced literacy approach which includes Houghton Mifflin's *Literacy by Design* program in grades K-4. She further described the supplemental reading support program provided by reading specialists and paraprofessionals. The pre-referral service is available to eligible students in grade K-6 who need individualized and targeted instruction in any of the key components of reading. Programs and courses for students in grades 7-12 are also in place to support students with reading needs at those levels. Mrs. Staves stated that most students who receive early reading intervention in TESD make progress toward exiting the program by fifth grade. Dr. Wendy Towle and Mrs. Staves answered questions from the Committee members and the community. **The Committee requested additional data on the diversity of students in reading support programs, which the administration will gather and provide to the Committee members. Further, a process for addressing additional reading support specific questions was identified and the administration will follow up with interested parents.** 

The Committee reviewed the **Business Curriculum.** Dr. Nancy Adams, Curriculum Supervisor for Business/Technology updated the Committee on the Business curriculum at Conestoga High School. Dr. Adams shared an overview of the current courses offered. She then shared data collected on other high school and college offerings which led to the development of a new Business course for 2018-19 called *Business Promotion and Marketing*. Dr. Adams answered questions from the community and Committee members. The Committee expressed support for ongoing changes in the Business curriculum to meet the changing needs of the students and the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Next meeting: April 2, 2018

#### DRAFT PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES April 2, 2018

# Tredyffrin/Easttown Administrative Offices 6:30 p.m.

#### Attending all or part of the meeting:

**Board Committee Members:** Roberta Hotinski (chair), Kyle Boyer (via speaker phone), Katharine Murphy, Tina Whitlow

**Other Board Members:** Scott Dorsey, Todd Kantorczyk, Edward Sweeney, Heather Ward

**TE School District Representatives:** Wendy Towle (Administrative Liaison), Mark Cataldi, Michele Staves, Richard Gusick

**Community Members:** Sarah Culbert, Coleen Hillman, Susanne Neubig, Karen Vadner, Huizi Zhang, Marine Havel, Jordan McCain, Xavier Arnault, Rania El Desoki, Tracey Sloan, Brooke Hauer, Alison Hallan, Chrispin Hallam, Stacey Pellegrini, Juliette Hyson, Jeff Hyson, Kerry Sophocles, Jennifer McKinley, Nancy Coradi

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Public Comment:**

Xavier Arnault commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones. Rania El Desoki commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones. Chrispin Hallam commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones. Kerry Sophocles commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones. Nancy Coradi commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones. Huizi Zhang commented on ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones.

Jeff Hyson commented on the **College and Career Transition Course.** Juliette Hyson commented on the **College and Career Transition Course.** Xavier Arnault commented on the **College and Career Transition Course.** 

Xavier Arnault commented on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep. Rania El Desoki commented on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep. Nancy Coradi commented on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep. Marine Havel commented on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep. Huizi Zhang commented on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep.

Rania El Desoki commented on School Calendar and Religious Holidays. Huizi Zhang commented on School Calendar and Religious Holidays.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

The March 5, 2018 minutes were approved. The Committee requested an addition to the minutes of the Reading Support Program summary.

#### **Committee Discussion and Recommendations:**

#### The Committee reviewed the ERBs, PSATs, Winter Keystones.

The Committee reviewed a summary of the 2017 Testing Results (including ERB/PSAT/Keystone). Mr. Mark Cataldi, Director of Assessment and Accountability, shared information about fall Educational Records Bureau (ERB) testing results, fall Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) 8/9 and PSAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMSQT) results, and winter Keystone Exams results. Mr. Cataldi also shared information on the PSSA Seminar courses. He provided financial context to inform the committee on the impact of possible budget strategies related to testing and support courses. Mr. Cataldi and Dr. Gusick answered several questions from community and Committee members. There were no Committee recommendations.

#### The Committee reviewed the College and Career Transition Course.

The Committee received an update on the College and Career Transition Course. Mr. Cataldi, Director of Assessment and Accountability, shared information about the development of the new course at Conestoga High School, including: purpose and need; connection to the District Strategic Plan; course components; and structure. The College and Career Transition Course is a School Board approved course required for Grade 11 students beginning in 2018-19. Mr. Cataldi and Dr. Gusick answered several questions from community and Committee members. There were no Committee recommendations.

#### The Committee reviewed Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep.

The Committee reviewed a report on Later Start Times and Adolescent Sleep. Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Staff Development, and Planning shared actions taken to gather data on the topic including monitoring of local school districts as well as reviewing research provided from sleep experts. Dr. Towle and Dr. Gusick answered several questions from the community and Committee members. The Committee recommended that District Administration include the study of adolescent sleep and school start times as a TESD District goal for 2018-19.

#### Additional Non -Agenda Item :

Dr. Wendy Towle informed the Committee about the ongoing process to implement the Middle School Technology 1:1 Initiative. She shared information from Dr. Mike Szymendera relative to budgeting funds for the purchase of laptops for the 18-19 school year. While the Middle School Initiative is listed as a possible budget strategy, the goal is to initiate the next steps in the process prior to the approval of the new budget. The District's experience has been that placing the order at the end of April or beginning of May will provide sufficient time to prepare and deploy the devices at the start of the new school year. Dr. Towle shared the timeline and goal of having Board direction by the end of April.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25p.m.

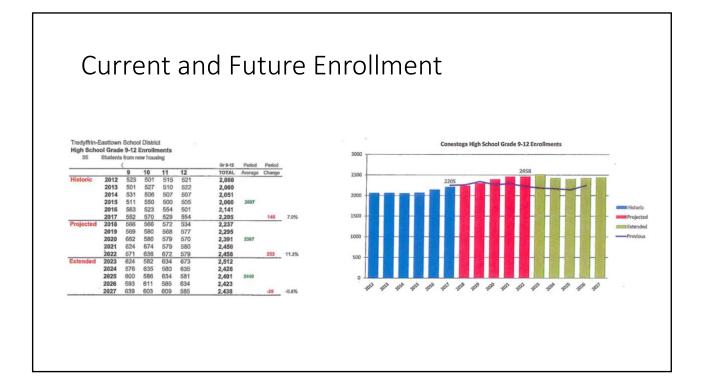
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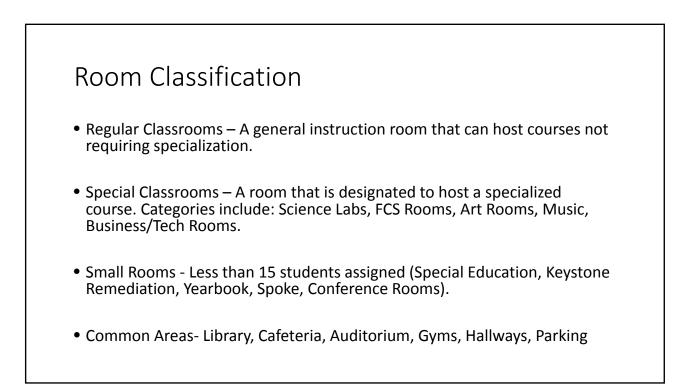
# Conestoga High School

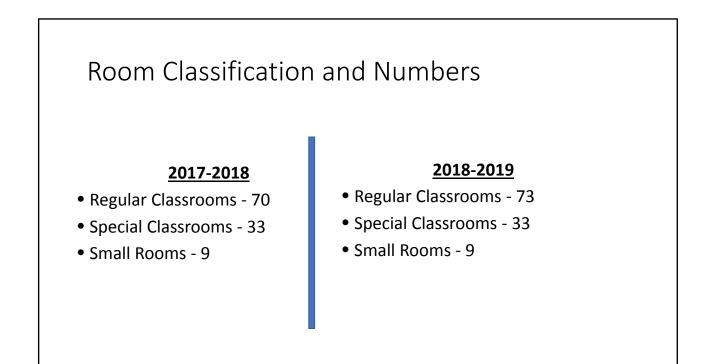
**Room Utilization Report** 

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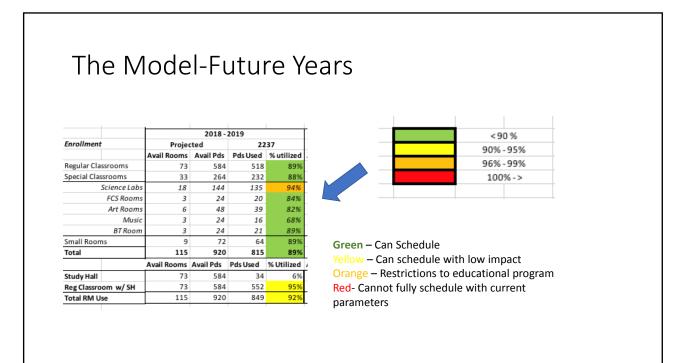
- Access, Options and Choice
- Maximization of Current Footprint
- Enrollment Projections Increasing





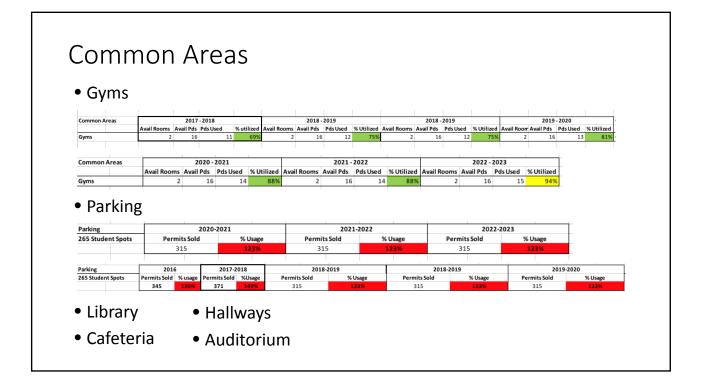


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Special Clas	srooms	33	264	229	87%		
	Science Labs	18	144	133	92%		<b>% Utilized</b> - Pds Used/Avail Pds
	FCS Rooms	3	24	20	83%	_	
	Art Rooms	6	48	39	81%	_	
	Music	3	24	16	67%	_	
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Art Rooms	6	48	43	90%	6	48	43	90%	6	48	44	92%		
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## Options for Consideration

- 1. Modifications to Educational Program
  - Offer fewer classes
  - More students in existing classes
- 2. Construction Projects
- 3. Grade Realignment