

DRAFT PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL
BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2018

Tredyffrin/Easttown Administrative Offices
5:00 p.m.

Attending all or part of the meeting:

Board Committee Members: Roberta Hotinski (Chair), Kyle Boyer, Kate Murphy, Tina Whitlow

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

TE School District Representatives: Wendy Towle (Administrative Liaison), Mike Szymendera, Michele Staves, Richard Gusick

Community Members: Ray Clarke, Sarah Culbert, Jeremy Hampton (TEEA Representative), Jerry Henige, Jamie Lynch, Carol Clarke, Xavier Arnault, Marine Havel, Kate Mayer, Wendy Brooks, Karen Huang, Angela Furtaw, Natalie Sudall, Karen Vadner

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Public Comment:

Carol Clarke commented on the **Enrollment and Facilities Update**.
Ray Clarke commented on the **Enrollment and Facilities Update**.
Xavier Arnault commented on the **Enrollment and Facilities Update**.

Angela Furtaw commented on the **Middle School 1:1 Initiative**.
Jamie Lynch commented on the **Middle School 1:1 Initiative**.
Xavier Arnault commented on the **Middle School 1:1 Initiative**.
Karen Huang commented on the **Middle School 1:1 Initiative**.
Ray Clarke commented on the **Middle School 1:1 Initiative**.

Marine Havel commented on school start times.

Approval of Minutes:

The November 15, 2017 minutes were approved.

Committee Discussion and Recommendations:

The Committee received an update on **Enrollment and Facilities**. Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Staff Development, and Planning, shared information regarding the updated projected enrollment for the 2018-19 school year based on available classroom space in District schools. Dr. Towle also shared information about the increasing Kindergarten enrollment in the District, relative to the number of live births in Tredyffrin & Easttown Townships. Finally, Dr. Towle shared an elementary and middle school enrollment update with 5-year enrollment projections and considerations for the Committee to ensure building capacity to implement the Board approved educational program. Dr. Towle emphasized that the data

provided should be revisited following approval of the redistricting plan. Dr. Towle indicated that the current margins for use of facilities are nearly maximized in several buildings, and once balanced, the administration will look at enrollment trends again to provide the Committee with updated information. Dr. Towle and Dr. Gusick answered several questions from Committee and community members.

The Committee reviewed the proposed **Middle School 1:1 Initiative** for the fall of 2018. Dr. Michael Szymendera, Director of Instructional Technology, updated the Committee on the 1:1 Technology Initiative at Conestoga High School, including updates on implementation in various curricular areas and increased usage of Schoology at Conestoga. He then provided a rationale and considerations for the second phase of implementation of the 1:1 Initiative for students in grades seven and eight as part of the District Goal. Dr. Szymendera shared stakeholder perspectives, forecasted costs, and device information. He answered several questions from Committee and community members. The Committee expressed support for the educational benefit of the second phase of the 1:1 Implementation Plan for the fall of 2018. The Committee requested that the District Finance Committee continue monitoring this plan for costs of implementation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting: **February 5, 2017**