Tredyffrin/Easttown School District **BOARD AD HOC LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

February 1, 2018 6:00 p.m. TEAO, Meeting Room 200

Agenda

- Ι. **Public Comment**
- Π. Approval of September 12, 2017 Minutes
- 111. HB 1213
- IV. Other

- Board Legislative Committee Goals:

 1.
 Determine annual priorities for District legislative advocacy.
- Monitor legislative and regulatory developments emerging from the state and federal governments. Determine appropriate methods to influence state and federal representatives including, but not limited to, legislative 2 3. contacts, Board action and public engagement.

DRAFT PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES September 12, 2017 Tredyffrin/Easttown Administrative Offices 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

Attending all or part of the meeting:

Board Committee Members: Edward Sweeney (Chair), Michele Burger, Virginia Lastner

Other Board Members: Kevin Buraks, Roberta Hotinski, Todd Kantorczyk

TE School District Representatives: Oscar Torres (Administrative Liaison), Nancy Adams, Richard Gusick

Community Members: Doug Anestad

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Public Comment:

Doug Anestad commented on Keystone Exams as a Graduation Requirement.

Approval of Minutes:

The May 18, 2017 minutes were approved.

Committee Discussion and Recommendations:

The Committee discussed **Keystone Exams as a Graduation Requirement**. Dr. Oscar Torres shared with the committee that Senate Bill 756 has stalled and is unlikely to move forward due, in part, to the Bill's ties to teacher evaluation. The Committee recommended that the community be informed that the Bill will not likely pass and that the District is awaiting news on a continued moratorium of the graduation requirement. The Committee recommended that the District continue to monitor legislative action around Keystone Exams.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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HB 1213 - Reverse Appeals

Places additional restrictions on when taxing districts have the right to appeal an assessment. Under the bill, a taxing district may not appeal the assessment of a property based on the following:

- Purchase or sale of the property;
- Purchase or sale of a partial or total interest in the entity holding the title;
- Financing or refinancing of the property;
- Investments in the property

A taxing district has the right to appeal an assessment only when one or more of the following are met:

- The appeal is from a countywide assessment;
- A parcel of land is divided and conveyed in smaller parcels; or
- A change has occurred in the productive use of the property by material alteration.

Outlook

- Schedule for a vote on February 5
- Unclear of its support in the House
- Backing of commercial property owners
- Would shift a greater portion of real estate taxes on homeowners
- Schedule for House Calendar for February 5