



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Community Relations Committee Meeting

5:30 PM - July 19, 2022

Village BOE Conference Room or Google Meet

In attendance: Vice President Zhang, Board Member Hammer, Dr. Cascone

I. OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Strategic Plan - Update

Dr. Cascone reiterated to the committee that the board had come to a consensus at last week's retreat regarding moving forward with the development of an RFP for potential strategic action plan partners. Dr. Cascone will be following up with Mr. Petrizzo to begin laying the groundwork for that proposal. This would lead to a prospective appointment of a selected vendor at the August Board of Education meeting.

II. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

A. [Community Goals Survey Results Document # 6](#)

Board Member recommended disaggregating the satisfaction data by school, Dr. Cascone will provide in the short term.

Board Member Hammer inquired if Qualtrics could be used to administer out exit surveys for students each year.

Dr. Cascone will be prepared to present the senior class survey data to the committee in August.

B. District Community Engagement Goal

The district will place a concerted focus on the engagement and training of families including the implementation of a parent seminar series on topics including HIB, Digital Citizenship, curriculum and Health Education.

The committee provided Dr. Cascone with some additional feedback on the parent engagement goal which was incorporated into the draft. Board member Hammer made a point, notwithstanding, the fact that the district goals are not necessarily quantitative and measurable in of themselves, if there were concrete deliverables associated with each goal, for example, consistent codified lesson planning expectations and guidelines, as well as grading policies, the committee was comfortable with the goals has written.

C. Health Education Update

Dr. Cascone provided an update to the committee with regard to the status of the health education curriculum revision. Dr. Irwin is working with the district supervisor of health education, as well as the health education teachers to get organized and plan.

As discussed by Dr. Cascone earlier in the year, the newer revised content will be incorporated into pull out assembly-like programs which will be opt-in on the part of parents. Existing health and sexual education topics will remain opt out. However, Dr. Cascone indicated that the district will be far more detailed with regard to the lesson objectives, as well as any materials. Videos and print resources will be linked and shared with parents in advance of the delivery of those lessons. Dr. Cascone also indicated that the curriculum revision team will be reviewing all sexual education units to ensure that the objectives, content, and assessments are of high quality and current.

III. ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 @ 5:30pm

