

## TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of the Education Committee Meeting  
Board Room, Trinity Hall  
10:00 a.m. – May 11, 2011

**Members of the Committee: Dennis McWreath (Chairperson); John Keisling; Dorothy Tecklenburg and JoAnn Standish**

Committee members present: Dennis McWreath, Dorothy Tecklenburg and JoAnn Standish

Board member present: Tamara Salvatori

Others present: Paul Kasunich, Superintendent; Joe Orr, Assistant High School Principal; John Digon, Director of Technology; Dr. Betty Sue Schaughency; Denise Manganello and Tom McGill, Representative from Seneca Valley Cyber School; and Judy Walz, recording secretary.

Community members present were: Ken Bonnell, Canton Township; Linda Horner, Amwell Township; Deb Lucas, Amwell Township and Brenda Williamson, South Strabane Township.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. McWreath, Chairperson, at 10:00 a.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Denise Manganello, Cyber Service Coordinator for Seneca Valley School District, presented a report on the benefits of the District partnering with them in order to offer an in-house cyber program to students. They noted that the district would see a financial benefit as well as be able to offer flexibility in student schedules. They noted that special education students would also benefit with the program. Dr. Kasunich indicated that the district has 49 students currently enrolled in cyber/charter schools in grades 7 through 12, and a total of approximately 90 students, kindergarten through grade 12. He discussed the program's benefits, indicating that it would draw students back to the district and give all students more options.

Dr. Betty Sue Schaughency discussed her work with the district as a consultant through the University of Pittsburgh's Educational Leadership Initiative. She noted that this year she became acquainted with the district and the process used to make decisions. She noted the importance of relationships and team building. Dr. Kasunich noted the advantages to having Dr. Schaughency's input.

Topics for the next meeting will include an On-Hands Schools report as well as a report from Keystone Educational Consultants. The Guidance Class Report for 2010-11 was deferred to the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.