

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of the
EDUCATION
COMMITTEE MEETING
March 3, 2014
Board Room – Trinity Hall

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Chairperson, Jennifer Morgan.

Committee members present were: Jennifer Morgan, Chairperson, Penny Caleffe, Tom Durbin Jennifer Lanas, Dana Ledger, Andy Migyanko, Sarah Nee, Nicole Bockstoce, Brandon Robinson, Craig Uram, Karen Huff, Stacey McCullough, and Dr. Michael Lucas.

Also present: Jeff Bricker, Don Snoke, Frances Eates, Kerri McIlvaine, Ben Trapuzzano, Jo LaBella, and John Digon.

Public Comment

None

Middle School Chinese Update

Mr. Bricker presented information on the Chinese language and culture. He shared middle school courses and activities and gave an update on his study of the Chinese language.

Program of Studies 2014-2015

Mr. Snoke shared the proposed Program of Studies for 2014-15 with all members. He highlighted changes and answered questions regarding cyber options in the program. Dr. Lucas indicated he will be meeting with the union in reference to cyber options. The goal is to have the final draft approved at the March 20 meeting.

Summer School/Retention

The committee discussed summer school options. The 2012-2013 budget was reviewed. They discussed possible tutoring solutions including JROTC, high school students, and local college students. Dr. Lucas indicated that it is difficult to find teachers to teach summer school and tutor.

2014-2015 School Calendar

The proposed 2014-2015 calendar was reviewed. Potential challenges were discussed with regard to 2 hour late starts or early dismissals. The calendar will be shared with the school board for approval at the March 20 meeting.

Alternative Education Program

Mr. Snoke presented an alternative option for Trinity students at the high school rather than the I.U. program. He shared the benefits and conditions for returning students to the high school program. He discussed a potential \$150,000 in savings. The committee wanted to assure additional staffing would not be needed. Mr. Snoke discussed benefits of the I.U. program at Clark as well.

New Business

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.