

Board of Education
Special Meeting / Workshop Minutes
January 16, 2025 5:30 PM

Board Members Present: Chairwoman Sheila Daniels, Callie Grippo, Debra Guss, Adam Hayn, Deborah Kleckowski, and Harold Panciera

Others Present: Superintendent Dr. Vázquez Matos, Assistant Superintendent of Administration Jennifer Cannata, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Dr. Stacey McCann, K-12 Math Director Richard Cordaway, 6-12 Math Supervisor Yvonne Daniels, K-12 ELA Director Colleen Fitzpatrick, World Languages Department Chair Andres Alphonso Mohammed, Principal Middletown High School Dr. Dawn Brooks, 6-12 ELA Supervisor Dan Raucci, PreK-12 STEAM Director Meg Hanly, Director of Assessment, Professional Development and Instruction Paul Griswold

1. Profile of 8 Elementary Schools

Mrs. Daniels called the meeting to order. The board discussed the materials that were provided in advance of the meeting which included the Profiles and Performance Data of 8 Elementary Schools which included student demographics, school staffing and resource requests.

2. Math Curriculum and World Language Alignment

The board discussed the materials that were provided in advance of the meeting which included: World Language & Math Curriculum Alignment- including grade distribution. Mr. Alphonso also shared that the world language courses offered in middle and high school are equivalent. Mr. Cordaway and Ms. Daniels then shared an overview of the two tracks for current 8th grade students and the trajectory for 9-12th grade options. A discussion followed.

3. Post-Secondary Success Rates

With post-secondary success rates, the Board decided to postpone this topic to a later meeting.

4. Grading for Equity

The board discussed the materials that were provided in advance of the meeting which included: Grading for Equity- Dr. Brooks provided an overview of the high school grading policy used in determining a student's grade. A discussion followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Guss
Secretary