

Bloomsburg Area School District

April 3, 2024 | Policy & Academic Affairs Committee Meeting

Call to Order: 5:35pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Panel Attendees:

Stu Tripler, Amanda Orzolek, Amy Melchiorre, JJ Cleaver, Jonathan Jones, Marianne Kreisher, Joshua Klingerman

Public Comment Related to Agenda Items: None

Old Business:

Scheduling Update

- High school scheduling is wrapping up a trail run on Sapphire
- Discussion of switching to a 6 day rotation district-wide

New Business:

718 Service Animals in Schools

- Reviewed updated policy. Will be submitted to our solicitor for review

GPA

- Discussion was had on mirroring our GPA scale to Danville's
- GPA change will allow for more opportunities & hope for our students
- Committee wants to follow the practice of limiting the lowest level for passing for marking periods 1-3 to be 55% or higher
- All committee members present were on board for the change in GPA
- Handbook will need changed and then will need Board approval

Summer School Plan

- CMVATS is now requiring us to send a monitor to their school.
- Committee would like to keep this in-house this year.
- Appx 30 students attended CMVATS last year at the high school level for summer school.

- Dan Yarnell is doing a great job with his new Panther Camp after school program to try to keep students out of summer school as well.

PSSA & Keystone Schedules

- Everything is on schedule and the schools are preparing

Other Items for the Good of the Order

- Discussion was had on providing other PE Electives and opportunities such as a lifeguard training course and potentially a PE class before school

Policy for Bathroom Use

- Research on the law and discussions with our solicitor about the direction we should go with a policy has continued to be happening
- Sample policies from other Pennsylvania schools are being looked into
- PSBA does not provide direction with this
- JJ to email committee members an example of two policies that are in place for Pennsylvania schools
- *Action Item:* Next meeting committee to discuss the two sample policies and what we can pull from them

Adjournment of Meeting: 6:38 pm

Motion: Jonathan Jones

Second: Joshua Klingerman

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 1st at 5:30pm via ZOOM