

Superintendent's Lay Advisory Council (SLAC)
Manheim Township School District

May 13, 2024
6:30 p.m.



Agenda Minutes

Members Present: Superintendent Robin Felty

Secretaries: Jennifer Spatz & Laura Boniello Miller

HS (5)

1. Jill Speizer
2. Laura Boniello Miller
3. Sharee Livingston-Anderson
4. Rebecca Harper
5. Renee Suydam

MS (3)

1. Anne Marie Swinehart
2. Holly Stockwell
3. Erin Hawkins

Landis Run (4)

1. Meghan Ryan-Keller
2. Jackie Wachinski
3. Janny Kim Lee
4. Shannon Zimmerman

Brecht (3)

1. Nikita Nunemacher
2. Abby Fiorentino
3. Michael King

Bucher (3)

1. Elizabeth Muehlbach
2. Jadie Catania
3. Soraya Hintz

Neff (3)

1. Kisha Johnson

2. Lori DeTemple
3. Rachel Levine

Nitrauer (3)

1. Alexandria Hardy
2. Nancy Izquieta
3. Danielle Schmehl

Reidenbaugh (3)

1. Carolyn Garneau
2. Madison South
3. Melissa Grosh

Schaeffer (3)

1. Emily Hosey
2. Jennifer Spatz
3. Herlie Velez

Members Absent

1. Herlie Velez
2. Soraya Hintz
3. Elizabeth Muehlbach
4. Sharee Livingston-Anderson
5. Rebecca Harper
6. Nikita Nunemacher
7. Abby Fiorentino
8. Holly Stockwell
9. Erin Hawkins

❖ **Approval of revised March 2024 Meeting Minutes Rachel Levine and Madison South**

❖ **Reminder to honor high holidays when planning PTO/Parent Advisory Group events**

❖ **Manheim Township Recreational Advisory Committee** (3 municipal staff; 3 MT school district staff; 3 community members will meet 4 times per year - once a quarter) they will develop policies and procedures for sharing our facilities. Develop and maintain a masters schedule.

❖ **Facilities planning**

- Stay tuned in the fall for our Neff 2 building.
 - 3 floors
 - Create training space for staff.

- Use of envisions camp
- Two IU-13 MDS classrooms from Reidenbaugh moved to Neff Elementary (not Neff II)
- Updating the blueprints of all 3 floors to figure out the most cost-effective way to make the updates
- Attention to our athletic fields.
- Landis Run we are going to widen the drive.
- We must get creative due to impervious soil and land.
- On docket for future – consideration of all sports field house with wellness center for our students. We want to make sure our female sports also have access to training facilities (not presented to board yet)
- Demographic Study Results:
 - Brecht and Neff elementary are predicted to have a decline in enrollment.
 - Predicted steady enrollment at Nitrauer and Bucher
 - Schaeffer we are expected to increase enrollment.
 - Reidenbaugh
 - Predicting growth so we are creating space with moving IU-13 classrooms.
 - Two IU-13 MDS classrooms are being moved to Neff.
 - Three IU-13 EI classes are staying at Reidenbaugh for now.
 - Hiring a teacher for a floating K-4 dean of students position.
 - As Reidenbaugh continues to grow, we can move IU013 EI classes to another school with space.

❖ MT summer family events

- **“13th Annual Back-to-School Event” at Barnstormers Stadium** (Sunday, August 18, 2024)
- **School Kick-Off Literacy Event (Tuesday, August 20, 2024)** → Third annual event. The Lancaster Rotary Club donated thousands of books. We purchased more Spanish books this year.

❖ PTO Sharing – Reflections & Questions

- Parent Volunteer Restrictions (Madison) → Are there consistent guidelines for parent volunteers across the district? Dr. Felty thought we addressed this, so she is going to investigate it.
 - Reidenbaugh has a limit of 5 parent volunteers - why? Dr. Felty will investigate it.
- (Shannon) - Indicated some teachers have an interest in a longer spring break.
 - District completed a survey and results were a week off school was too difficult for parents to find childcare.
 - Each year, our curriculum committee helps create the calendar. The state testing schedules and other important things are considered when making the calendar.
 - Laura requested some guidance from the district for days that students could miss that would have less of an academic impact.

- (Laura) - indicated they are presenting the removal of class rank to the board, but communication could take a year. Advocating for the removal to occur sooner if possible.
- (Emily) - When is the Kindergarten and First grade health curriculum updated?
 - Dr. Felty → PE is going to be revised next school year. She will follow up with the director of curriculum and email information to all SLAC members with meeting minutes.
 - Process of change: curriculum committee reviews the state standards and discusses amongst grade levels. They also look at our resources (Are they outdated? Are they online?) Recommendations are presented to board for approval, put into budget, board approves, and then sent out to schools during the summer.

Mission Statement

Nurture and challenge for success.