



**Saydel Community School District**  
School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC) Meeting Minutes

**Date:** June 21, 2016

**Location:** Saydel District Office Board Room

**Facilitator:** Mr. Douglas Wheeler, Superintendent

The Board of Education SIAC Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, June 21 by Superintendent Mr. Douglas Wheeler

- **Committee members present:** Roland Kouski, Jr., Julie McKibben, Mary Salazar, Melissa Sassman, Kevin Schulte, Matt Tesdell, Douglas Wheeler, Brian Vaughan, Kristi Wickre
- **Committee members absent:** Jack Aegesen, Riely Backus, Doug Cline, Michael Dennis, Sara Figgins, Joshua Heyer, Aileen Hunnell, Shila Love, Shannon Larson, Jeremy Lowe, Antoine Parker, Marcy Schmidt, Patty Timmerman, Darla Van Houten

**Agenda:**

- I. **Welcome** – Mr. Wheeler welcomed all the committee members to the SIAC meeting.
- II. **Review / Update Overview of 3-Year Plan for Continuous Improvement** – SIAC members were presented with the updated 3-Year Continuous Improvement Plan which outlines the themes and objectives for the district. Mr. Wheeler discussed the strategies and deliverables from 2015-16, identifying which ones have been accomplished and which ones need to be modified moving forward. He reviewed new and/or modified strategies and deliverables for the 2016-17 school year. SIAC members were able to provide feedback and/or ask questions on the targets as they were reviewed one by one. School Board members will review the updated improvement plan at the next Board Work Session June 27.
- III. **GPA Policy Update** – The concern for equity of GPA vs. other districts came to the attention of the Saydel District administrators in early 2016. SIAC members discussed updating the GPA policy in April and continued the discussion at this meeting. Mr. Wheeler shared a comparison chart showing how Saydel School's GPA calculation compares with other districts in proximity and of similar size. He also shared a DRAFT policy for proposed GPA and weighted class procedures, which will be presented to the school board in July 2016 for approval. The draft policy included the following highlights: 1) +.33 Weighted grading for A+, 2) Weighted grading for select advanced coursework leading to college credit OR to a certification 3) Conversion for G4G. This policy includes the ability to receive weighted credit for some coursework leading to certification. If approved by the school board, the new policy will be effective for the 2016-17 school year. SIAC members shared thoughts on the GPA calculations, the implementation of the policy, and the impact the policy will have on different grade levels.

- IV. **Adjourn** – The SIAC Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

  
Douglas Wheeler, Superintendent

  
Beth Vitiritto, Board Secretary

**The SIAC meets at least once per year to provide input to the Board on the following:**

1. *Major educational needs.*
2. *Student learning goals.*
3. *Long-range goals that include, but are not limited to, the state indicators that address reading, mathematics, and science achievement.*
4. *Harassment or bullying prevention goals, programs, training, and other initiatives.*