

## Budget Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: 4/3/2019

In Attendance: Nick Fucci, Joan OConnell, Meredith Volpe, Kenneth Graham, John O'Keefe

The overall topic of this meeting was a 9 period day.

- Dr. Graham said that a 9 period day is something that he wants to see explored, so he was in agreement that the BAC should look into it.
- Joan said that most of the local High Schools have a 9 period day.
- Dr. Graham asked if that was also true of Middle Schools.
- William Floyd recently decided to change to a 9 period day, Dr. Graham will reach out to them for information.
- Meredith said that since her son is in Special Ed and needs 2 periods of re-teach he would not have enough credits to graduate without eliminating lunch. So a 9 period day would help him and students like him.
- Teacher contracts currently allow for 5 teaching periods, 1 period lunch, 1 period prep & 1 period duty.
  - Changing that would require contract negotiations
  - One idea is to ask about swapping a duty for a teaching period
  - Another idea is a potential raise for teachers to pick up an extra teaching period (it would save on benefits)
  - Rough estimate would be 17 additional teachers per high school and 8 per middle school with no changes to teacher contract

- BAC will research other districts
  - # of periods for High School & Middle School
  - Bell schedules
  - When do they have clubs and extra help
  - How many periods do teachers teach
- Dr. Graham & Mr. O'Keefe will get information on
  - the # of work hours in the teachers contract
  - Enrollment numbers
  - Bus information
- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 5/8/2019 at 6:30pm