BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEW FAIRFIELD, CT

Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting

Name of Subcommittee: Curriculum Meeting type: Regular

Date of Meeting: 9/29/25 Minutes submitted by: Kathy Baker

Members present: Kathy Baker, Sue Huwer

Members absent: Greg Flanagan

Other attendees: Ken Craw, Kristine Woleck, Dom Cipollone, James D'Amico, Karen Gruetzner, Allyson

Story, Ernest Fabrizio-Garcia

Meeting Access: Curriculum Subcommittee (9/29/25 at 7:00 p.m.) Web: https://zoom.us/j/93310691401

Dial In: (929) 205-6099 Meeting ID: 933 1069 1401

Meeting called to order: at 7:00 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 27, 2025

Motion: To approve the minutes of May 27, 2025, as presented

Made by: Sue Huwer Seconded by: Kathy Baker

Recording of vote: All in favor

III. INFORMATION / ACTION ITEMS

A. Middle School World Language Program (Curriculum / Instruction goals)

Dr. Woleck presented the current enrollment numbers at the Middle School. Students have World Language (Spanish and French) every other day in the Middle School. In the High School, the students have World Language every day, and Italian and Chinese are offered as well. There is a plan to offer World Language every day in the Middle School beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. Work is being done on how to increase the frequency, as learning a language can help in other areas.

B. Summer Reading Review (Curriculum / Instruction goals)

The members reviewed how teachers are following up in the schools to show the connection and the importance. The High School summer reading involved a literary analysis writing baseline, and the Middle School summer reading was rolled into prompts in the first few weeks of school and journals were kept.

C. Summer Curriculum Project Review & Next Steps (Curriculum / Instruction / Wellness goals)

A variety of summer projects took place - 12 different projects, 73 staff members, 198 days. The projects were coded to align to the strategic plan. Many projects focused around K-12, relevant topics and mental health. There will be conversations in the fall about the *Anxious Generation* and potential action steps.

IV. OTHER – None

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Made by: Dom Cipollone Seconded by: Kathy Baker

Recording of vote: All in favor Meeting adjourned at: 7:56 p.m.