

WBOE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 17, 2017

Present: Lynn Piascyk, Chair; Margaret Hamilton, Maegan Genovese, Nancy Maasbach (*via telephone - disconnected at 6:03 PM*), Board Members; Bob Gilbert, Superintendent; and Gina Prisco, Principal.

Ms. Piascyk called the meeting to order (5:03 PM).

Standing Committee:

Policy 9132 will require revision to indicate the Curriculum Committee as a standing committee. Discussion ensued on membership, language revision and communication to parents.

Meeting Dates:

It was proposed this committee meet on the first Thursday of the month at 4:30 PM to allow for teacher participation. The first meeting will be September 7th at 4:30 PM in the Stella Library Media Center and will focus on summer curriculum work. A curriculum template for Math and Science will be shared.

Future Meeting Topics:

It was proposed that a Lecture Series, inclusive of guest speakers, be developed to augment curriculum and provide general information to parents and the community on various topics. It was agreed all presentations would be available on the web site, publicized in the Superintendent's Update and Principal's messages and highlighted at monthly Board meetings. As is currently done at Board meetings, Board members will continue to have the opportunity to provide input on presentations.

The October 5th meeting will highlight World Language. The presentation will focus on program updates, student performance and exit assessments, i.e., how it is utilized to inform instruction, interfacing with the middle school and the impact on placement.

The November 9th meeting will emphasize Enrichment Opportunities. Cathy Salinardi, Extended Day Director, will be invited to provide an overview on program offerings inclusive of Legos/Robotics, Chinese Club, etc. Teachers associated with the Poetry Club and Math Olympiad will also be invited to share an overview on these after-school activities. This meeting will also explore expanding future enrichment opportunities.

The December 7th meeting will be devoted to Writing Workshop, inclusive of curriculum unit data, interfacing with Columbia, grade level objectives and development of a curriculum review schedule will be addressed at a future meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00 PM