

# Minutes of Curriculum Committee Meeting

## School District of Tomahawk

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A Curriculum Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Tomahawk was held Tuesday, December 17, 2013, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Middle School Library.

- I. Call to Order: Ken Schulz called the meeting to order.
- II. Declaration of a Quorum: Ken Schulz declared we had a quorum. Present were: Amanda Johnson, Nathan Hanson, Dan McGuire, Mitch Hamm, Ken Schulz, Scott Swenty, Kay Kissinger Wolf, Cherie Hafeman, Sherry Baker and Marilyn Powers.
- III. Additional Agenda Items: There were none.
- IV. Adoption of Agenda: Moved by Kissinger Wolf, seconded by Hafeman to approve the agenda as printed.
- V. Approval of November 19, 2013 meeting minutes: Moved by Kissinger Wolf, seconded by Hafeman to approve the November 19, 2013 meeting minutes.
- VI. Pupil Service Plan of Work Presentation: No Action was taken. Mitch Hamm reported to the committee his 2013-14 Plan of Priority Work. His current objectives are:
  - To work to ensure the continuation of the Tomahawk Social Norms campaign, even without federal grant dollars if necessary.
  - To secure opportunities for students to receive individual Mental Health and AODA counseling services in the school setting. On-site services will increase access, eliminate barriers and result in less loss of instruction time.
  - To develop and begin to implement a three year transition plan that will focus on better preparing our students with disabilities to make a smooth transition into adult life, including, post-secondary education and the world of work.
  - To continue Implementation (year 3) of a five to seven year plan to integrate Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) throughout the district.
  - To develop a pre expulsion process.
  - To develop a paraprofessional training and orientation program to ensure that new staff are properly assimilated into the district and prepared to support and assist students in all school settings.
- VII. Update for Alternative Education Programming : No Acton was taken. Amanda Johnson reported in the block program she had 5 students who earned 25.5 credits. They completed 291 community service hours. They also had 30 unexcused absences with one student having 28 unexcused absences. In the Drop-in program she had 17 students participate with 14 recovering credits. In the GEDO2 program she had 5 students participate earning 10 credits. They completed 179.75 hours of community service hours and had 2 disciplinary referrals. In the Middle School

Alternative Education Block Program she had 7 Students participate they had 30 hours of community service.

- VIII. Visiting Teacher Program for 2013-2014: No Action was taken. We are hosting a visiting teacher from Russia On February 14 to March 14.
- IX. High School ELA & Math Curricular Updates for 2014-15: No Action was taken. Dr. Hanson reported to the committee that through the adoption of common core we used Curriculum Companion as a way to organize our curriculum around those standards. What we found is really the change from state standards to common core, is dictated what we should teach at every grade level. Previously we had multiple classes at grade levels and we found we need to have one class per grade level in the area of English. We are currently looking at having 10<sup>th</sup> grade English, 11<sup>th</sup> grade English and 12<sup>th</sup> grade English. Previously we had college bound English and non-college bound English at each grade level. For Math, we are looking at the Algebra II level, no one can tell him if the ACT test requires Algebra II. Students who take Algebra II do better on the ACT. We are looking at a fourth year Math. Next year we are adding the 2014-2015AP Calculus.
- X. Adjourn: Ken Schulz moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:00 p.m.