BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEW FAIRFIELD, CT Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting

Name of Subcommittee: Curriculum Meeting type: Regular

Date of Meeting: 10/23/17 Place of Meeting: BOE Central Office conf. rm.

Minutes submitted by: Steve Burfeind

Members present: Kevin Hearty, Amy Tozzo, Jay Voss

Members absent:

Other attendees: Alicia Roy, Jason McKinnon, Steve Burfeind, Rich Sanzo (7:40)

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 25, 2017 – Regular Meeting

Motion: To approve minutes of September 25, 2017, as presented

Made by: Kevin Hearty Seconded by: Jay Voss

Recording of vote: In Favor: 2 - Kevin Hearty, Jay Voss

Abstained: 1 – Amy Tozzo

III. ACTION ITEMS - none

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Advanced Placement Philosophy and Performance – Dr. Sanzo reviewed a presentation including an overview of the Advanced Placement (AP) philosophy. The high school currently offers 22 AP courses. The school encourages students to take AP courses, maintains open access to all courses, and will be using the AP potential information provided by the College Board to assist students in making their selections. A review of the requirement to take the AP exam to earn a weight 5 credit is being considered. The high school will continue to focus on improving score performance.

B. Elementary Report Card Update – The elementary report card was updated to align to what is being assessed. Criteria and schoolwide expectations have been changed. Science and Social Studies has not changed due to the fact that we have not updated the curriculum, which will happen over this year and next. Habits of mind have been infused. Parent workshops will be given so parents understand the changes that have been made to the report cards.

V. OTHER – The November Curriculum Subcommittee meeting has been cancelled, and there is no meeting scheduled for December. The following courses will be added to the program of studies at the high school for the 2018-2019 school year with a note indicating that they are added pending Board approval: AP Spanish Literature, AP Computer Science Principles, and Senior English Perspectives. These courses will be on the agenda for the next Curriculum Subcommittee meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Made by: Kevin Hearty Seconded by: Jay Voss

Recording of vote: Aye – Unanimous Meeting adjourned at: 8:25 p.m.