

BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEW FAIRFIELD, CT
Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting

Name of Subcommittee: Curriculum

Meeting type: Regular

Date of Meeting: 11/27/23

Minutes submitted by: K. Baker

Members present: Kathy Baker, Tim Blair, Greg Flanagan

Members absent: Stephanie Strazza

Other attendees: Ken Craw, Allyson Story, Dominic Cipollone, Amy Johnson, Ed Sbordone

Meeting Access: Curriculum Subcommittee (11/27/23 at 6:00 p.m.) Web: <https://zoom.us/j/97223979183>

Dial In: (929) 205-6099 Meeting ID: 972 2397 9183

Meeting called to order: at 6:00 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. October 23, 2023 – Regular Meeting

Tim Blair stated that he was at the meeting, not that he was absent.

Motion: To approve the minutes of October 23, 2023, as revised

Made by: Kathy Baker

Seconded by: Greg Flanagan

Recording of vote: All in favor

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Kindergarten Age Requirement Update - Allyson Story presented the process for how the waiver was developed and will be implemented. Fifty-six children are eligible to apply for the waiver for 2024. Thirty-five parents responded that they would apply for the waive, eleven responded no and ten are not sure. We are aiming for registration to open on Dec 10, 2023. Waiver assessments for students born Sept. 2, 2019 - Dec 31, 2019, will be held on January 2-9, 2024. We will hold a mini-K session to evaluate the children in different play scenarios. All parents seeking a waiver need to submit by December 22, 2023. Assessments will be play-based in nature to assess kindergarten readiness skills in the areas of literacy, numeracy and social skills. Parents will be given a parent information survey to complete as part of the process. All waiver decisions will be made by January 12, 2024. It will be difficult to add an additional teacher with the budget constraints. Parents will know prior to the PreK lottery process.

IV. ACTION ITEMS - none

V. OTHER - Preview of future meetings:

- Update on reading waiver in December.
- Look at world language program and recommendations to strengthen the program.

Motion to adjourn: Made by: Kathy Baker

Seconded by: Greg Flanagan

Recording of vote: All in favor

Meeting adjourned at: 6:28 p.m.