

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 9, 2010, 3:34 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., **CENTRAL OFFICE**

Minutes to be taken by: Pamela Hensel

Members in attendance: Pamela Hensel, Gary Mala, Janice Harris, Corey Borzain, Eric Larson, Todd Ledbetter, Megan Williams, Ildy Clark, Erika Fleig, Eileen Blewett, Deb White, Charlie Macunas, Mim Wagner, Bryan Kerachsky, Pat Muzzulin, Tracy Whaples, Melissa Steinhilper, Maryann Grimaldi, Sheila Ward, Elisa Pitoniak and Lori Raczka

ITEM PRESENTER

10-80 Introductions Gary Mala

New Business

10-81 *NEASC Reports and Updates* Charles Macunas, Priscilla Luoma, Shelia Ward

Charlie reported that the NEASC preparations are moving along well. He expressed his appreciation to the Superintendent for granting the HS so many ½ days to prepare. The HS is expecting the NEASC visit to be October 24-28th.

10-82 *LEAP Program* Tracy Whaples

Tracy informed us that LEAP stands for “Learning Enrichment for All People”. Tracy then introduced Todd Ledbetter, Megan Williams and Ildy Clark who presented a PowerPoint Presentation on the LEAP Program Revisions. Some of the items presented were: SAGES (Screening Assessment for Gifted Elementary Students), SIGS (Scales for Identifying Gifted Students), Todd noted that high CMT scores is a fairly good indicator of a gifted student. Todd informed the committee that a handbook has been created. Ildy Clark stated that collaboration is key, a child needs a team. The team is to present their LEAP PowerPoint Presentation to the BOE next week.

10-83 *Alternative Education Task Force Report* Gary Mala

Gary needs to meet with High School team to get updated numbers of students who have not experienced success in a regular program of studies setting. This would not include students with discipline issues and would run during non-traditional hours.

10-84 *2010-2011 Superintendent’s Proposed Budget* Gary Mala

Gary reported that due to time constraints he would not be presenting this item. The proposed budget is available for all to review on our web site.

Gary again asked the committee if there were any ideas for increasing revenue or cost savings to please email them to him.

Old Business

10-85 Review and possible approval of *Comprehensive School Counseling Curriculum K-12* Tracy Whaples

This item was approved by the Curriculum Council.

10-86 Review of information obtained via survey regarding the teaching of hand writing and typing skills All

This item was tabled for the next meeting.

10-87 Task Force to plan sponsoring annual *College Fair* at HKHS - ***Update*** Maryann Grimaldi

Maryann Grimaldi distributed the update on colleges attending on April 7th. In all, over 200 colleges and schools will be represented. Maryann indicated that the event resembles a large scale wedding with all the details that must be arranged.

10-88 Follow-up on tracking HKHS graduates - ***Update*** Maryann Grimaldi

Maryann indicated that Scott sent information he was able to pull from our systems to the company we are working with, they will input all the data by hand.

- 10-89 Task Force to research and present information on *Multi-age Instruction and Looping - Update* Bryan Kerachsky
Patty and Bryan distributed Q & A on looping. Patty Muzzulin'
- 10-90 Task Force to research and present information on *Algebra I - Update* Wendy Adamczyk
Meeting after CAPT and CMTs Bryan Kerachsky
Patty Muzzulin
- 10-91 *Response to Intervention (RTI) Model & Timeline – Update* Tracy Whaples
Tracy reported the model is in good shape. Chrissy and Bryan are meeting every Friday. We will present to Curriculum Council on April 20th, then to the BOE in May. Tracy reported there will be a parent pamphlet as well as a feature on “Spotlight on 17”.
- 10-92 Follow-up on Personal Finance discussion All
Gary reported that no one expressed interest in participating at this time, therefore this item will be removed from the agenda.

Items to schedule for discussion at future meetings

- 10-93 Discussion of proposal to introduce *Internship* as graduation requirement commencing in 2011-2012 Gary Mala
- 10-94 Question and Answer All
- 10-95 Next Meeting: April 20, 2010
a. Possible approval of *Comprehensive School Counseling Curriculum K-12* Tracy Whaples
b. *NEASC Reports and Updates* Charles Macunas, Priscilla Luoma, Shelia Ward
c. *Consideration and Possible Approval of Textbooks* As Requested

Add to 4/20 agenda - Wendy Adamczyk wants a new financial algebra textbook.