

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 8, 2008, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., **CENTRAL OFFICE TRAINING ROOM**

Minutes taken by: Cindy Fetteroll

Members in attendance: Gary Mala, Betty White, Janice Harris, Eric Larson, Corey Borzain, Lew Traester, Lori Raczka, Colleen Fitzpatrick, Mindy Otis, Linda Phelan, Kerri-Lynn Faselle, John O’Leary, Mim Wagner, Patty Muzzlin, Mike Susi, Melissa Steinhilper, Charlie Macunas, Kathleen Mozak-Pezza, Amy Jacques-Purdy.

ITEM		PRESENTER
08-52	Follow-up Conversation Grade Point Average System @ HKHS	Maryann Grimaldi
	Maryann reviewed the GPA and Class Rank system currently in place at the HS, and presented a proposal for several alternatives to the current system. Discussion ensued regarding the benefit of each alternative; Full GPA, Full WGPA, College GPA or College WGPA. Gary asked that the averages be calculated for each grade up to the top 10% for each category. Gary also asked for HKHS department head input for the May meeting.	
08-53	Discussion and Possible Approval of Child Development Curriculum Kathleen Mozak-Pezza	
	No report was made.	
08-54	Discussion and Possible Approval of Social Studies Curriculum K-12 Teaching and Learning Specialists	
	No report was made.	
08-55	Discussion and Possible Approval of World Language Curriculum K-12 Teaching and Learning Specialists	
	No report was made at this meeting. Gary asked to have all information on each proposed course curriculum to him in advance so that he can send it to the Council in advance of the May meeting.	
08-56	Discussion and Review of HKMS Schedule	Mim Wagner
	Mim distributed handouts with the information related to the options being reviewed for the proposed schedule changes at HKMS. There were several proposals for the Council to consider; Stopping the period A-G rotation, Keeping the day 1, day 2 rotation for the unified arts specials, Keeping an 8 period day, etc. Mim also discussed the proposals for Team structures. Discussion ensued regarding the benefits of each proposed change. A lively discussion ensued as to the benefit of looping at the 5 th and 6 th grade level, and Gary asked that the information that was reviewed at the MS on looping be provided to the Council for the May meeting. The approved schedule being used at HKMS called for looping at grades 5 & 6 (for the 2008-2009 school year and into the future).	
08-57	Discussion and Review of HKHS Schedule	Charlie Macunas
	Charlie provided a hand out with information on the proposed schedule change choices being considered. Charlie reviewed the comparisons of the four proposed choices, which are as follows; 7 drop 1, Modified A, Modified B and the current 4X4 schedule. As time was running short, Gary stated that the Council must have more definitive information to review at the May meeting.	

a. **District Assessment: Eric Larson, Chair**

No report was made.

b. **World Languages: Kathleen Mozak-Pezza, Patty Muzzulin, Kerri-Lynn Faselle, Corey Borzain, Chairs**

Corey stated that committee had four course curricula left to complete, and that they will be completed for the next meeting. Corey stated that the committee has worked diligently to include many 21st century skills into the curricula, for instance concerning Performance Assessment; students will be required to provide information in a job fair format, and provide such things as a letter of recommendation, etc. Corey is proud of the work that the committee has done to date.

c. **Social Studies K-12: Kathleen Mozak-Pezza, Patty Muzzulin, Kerri-Lynn Faselle, Lew Traester, Chairs**

No report was made.

d. **Comprehensive School Counseling: Mindy Otis, Chair**

No report was made.

e. **Full Day Kindergarten Task Force: Kerrie-Lynn Faselle, Rita Peretto, Chair**

No report was made.

f. **Child Development Task Force: Chuck Lewis, Chair**

No report was made.

g. **Adult Care Task Force: Gary Mala**

No report was made.

h. **Robotics Task Force: Gary Mala**

No report was made.

i. **Alternative Education Program Task Force: Gary Mala**

No report was made.

Gary stated that the meeting in May would most likely involve a lot of time for debate and deliberations, and so refreshments and food would be provided. Gary stated that some of the items for the May agenda will be put on the agenda for June.

- Agenda :
- Discussion and Possible Approval of Child Development Curriculum Materials
 - Discussion and Possible Approval of Social Studies Curriculum Materials K-12
 - Discussion and Possible Approval of World Language Curriculum Materials K-12
 - Discussion and Possible Approval of HKMS Schedule

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- *Discussion and Possible Approval of District Assessment Plan K-8
- *Discussion and Possible Approval of Comprehensive School Counseling Model
- *Discussion and Possible Approval of HKHS Health Textbook

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.