

*REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17*  
**CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
Tuesday, December 5, 2006, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Lower Media Center, HKHS

Minutes taken by Ann Lang

Members in attendance: Amy Jacques-Purdy, Deborah White, Eric Larson, Diane Stock, Jane Dion, Patricia Muzzulin, Mim Wagner, Mindy Otis, Melissa Steinhilper, Corey Borzain, Charles Macunas, Robert Baranoff, Linda Phelan, Rita Peretto, Karen Ockasi, John O’Leary, and Gary Mala.

*Gary Mala opened the meeting at 3:32 p.m.*

**ITEM**

**PRESENTER**

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| 07-17 | Introductions   | All |
| 07-18 | Task Force Updates & Timeline for 2006-2007   | All |
|       | a. Grade Reporting, K-8: Eric Larson, Jane Dion, Mim Wagner<br><i>...Jane Dion reported that a written year-end report card will be sent home. There are still some changes that need to be made. Gary Mala noted that the software people are nearing completion of the standards-based reporting template. The company will migrate everything into the new system. Small teams are being trained in the new student management system.</i>   |     |
|       | b. World Language Program: Gary Mala, Michael Susi, and Corey Borzain, Chairs<br><i>...Corey Borzain reported that the district’s world language teachers met and much progress was made. Many issues were also discussed. It is hoped that they will begin writing curriculum after one more meeting.</i><br><br><i>...In answer to a concern from Debbie White, Gary Mala clarified that the name of the teacher who should be on the report card is the teacher who provides the instruction to the student. He also noted that there cannot be any code on a report card to identify a special education student.</i> |     |
|       | c. Social Studies K-12: Jane Dion, Patty Muzzulin, Lew Traester, Charlie Macunas, Chairs<br><i>...Charlie Macunas reported that there are 15 people on the Social Studies Task Force. They met a couple of weeks ago. He distributed the social studies framework. The committee will be looking at the scope and sequence at the next meeting on Wednesday. He has received the draft of the State’s Social Studies curriculum to guide the work of the committee.</i>   |     |
|       | d. Technology K-12: Jane Dion, Patty Muzzulin, Chuck Lewis, Michael Susi, Ed Goetz, Chairs<br><i>...Patty Muzzulin reported that the scope and sequence will be presented at the January Curriculum Council meeting.</i>  |     |
|       | e. Full Day Kindergarten Task Force: Karen Ockasi, Chair<br><i>...Karen Ockasi stated that the committee has not met yet.</i>   |     |
|       | f. Status of Schedule for New HKMS<br><i>...Karen Ockasi reported that a meeting will be held on Friday regarding the middle school schedule. This will be placed on the January Curriculum Council agenda.</i>   |     |
| 07-19 | Discussion of Possible Additions to Program of Studies at HKHS  |     |
|       | a. Personal Finance   |     |

...Charlie Macunas reported that the high school hopes to run a personal finance course. The course presently in the handbook has not been offered for a couple of years. Marcia Catalano will be attending a three-day workshop at LEARN to obtain more information prior to ordering textbooks. Bob Baranoff suggested, and Curriculum Council members agreed, that this course might be added at some point as a graduation requirement.

b. Child Development

...Gary Mala noted that in the space utilization plan for the existing middle school there is an area to house a child development program similar to one that was offered at the high school some years ago. Charlie Macunas noted that it had been a great program. John O'Leary suggested speaking with Gayle Byrne, who ran the program in the past.

07-20

Discussion of Impact of Technology Acquisitions at HKHS

...Gary Mala noted that a great deal of technology has been acquired at the high school, in part because the technology will need to be upgraded when students from the new middle school move to the high school. Charlie Macunas said laptop computers on carts will be needed. Smart Boards are being used all the time. The TV studio and switcher will need to be updated and more video recorders will also be needed. Gary Mala noted that a bid will go out to determine how much it will cost to make all the buildings wireless.

07-21

Question and Answer

All

...Jane Dion distributed the CMT dates for the next three years

07-22

Next Meeting: January 2, 2007

All

Agenda

- a. Technology scope and sequence
- b. New middle school schedule

*The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.*