

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Central Office Board Room

Minutes to be taken by: Pamela Hensel

Members in attendance: Gary Mala, Debbie White, Kathleen Mozak-Pezza, Patty Muzzulin, Eric Larson, Lori Raczka, Eileen Blewett, Neil English, Eileen Mills, Tracy Whaples, Maryann Grimaldi, Jim Downey, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Wendy Adamczyk, Stacy Rosignoll, Alan Fortin, Mim Wagner, John O'Leary, Corey Borzain, Mrs. Steinhilper, Janice Harris

ITEM

PRESENTER

09-58 Dress Code Task Force Report Amy Jacques-Purdy

Amy distributed the approved Dress Code Policy, explaining that she had not received the final edited version prior to our meeting because the Board Clerk had it. A brief review of the policy took place. Implementation will be addressed next.

09-59 Comprehensive School Counseling Model Update Maryann Grimaldi, Stacy Rosignoll, Alan Fortin, Tracy Whaples

Maryann distributed copies of the PowerPoint presentation. The presentation was reviewed (a copy is attached for the purpose of minutes). Stacy reviewed career standards for Grade 4. Eric Larson asked if there was a universal screening tool. Stacy responded, yes.

Tracy Whaples stated that in terms of logistics the implementation process is still unclear. Tracy will look into what other schools have done regarding special needs students.

Alan reported that the process working with the curriculum was very rewarding. Alan reviewed a sample of the Middle School Curriculum for Counseling.

Superintendent Mala asked when they expected the final product. Maryann stated May 2010 for K-12 all 3 Standards, 13 levels.

Eric Larson asked, do you deal with Social Career Networking? Kathleen Mozak-Pezza answered, yes at the HS level, mostly social networking. Guidance brings in Monster.com, "How To Do Your Resume". Guidance suggests caution when placing or saying things on "Facebook" as it can be used against you later when you are looking for work. Inappropriate ID names or email addresses should not be used, such as cupcake etc.

Superintendent Mala asked if some portion of the 10 extra days could be consolidated and used for curriculum time. Maryann explained many reasons why they cannot.

09-60 Proposal to Introduce Latin I at HKMS Superintendent Mala

Gary expressed concern over the potential demise of Latin in our District, explaining that once lost we would likely never get it back. There is not enough enrollments to sustain Latin at the High School, it was suggested that it could be introduced at the Middle School level. Discussion ensued. No objections were voiced regarding introducing Latin at the MS level. Corey Borzain stated that she believes having Latin offered as of 6th grade would enhance the program and open things up for many students.

09-63 Proposal to be Host for Oak Hill School programs Superintendent Mala

Gary stated that Oak Hill is canvassing the region for a place to hold 2 of their programs. Gary suggested the former HKMS which has space available and although it needs remediation, Oak Hills would do all the upgrades, including flooring, at their expense. It would support the in school model. We would only be able to offer them a 3 year agreement. Stay tuned....

09-62 Proposal to consider sponsoring annual College Fair at HKHS Superintendent Mala

Superintendent Mala suggested having our own college fair and showcasing our students rather than sending them elsewhere. Maryann thought it would be good to have one here. There were no objections.

09-61 Proposal to advance Algebra I for all students at HKMS Superintendent Mala

After some lively conversation regarding the age and level at which students can process Algebra, John O asked what is the percentage of students that have completed Algebra I annually over the past 10 years? The statistics are not presently available and John requested that this information be provided by the middle school administration. Mim added that it's more important to know the success rate at the High School. Some districts throughout the country have added Algebra I to 8th grade, the success rate is unknown. Discussion ensued, no action taken.

09-65 Next Meeting: June 9, 2009

Agenda:

- a. Response to Intervention (RTI) Process
- b. Alternative Education Task Force Report - continued
- c. Adult Care Task Force - continued

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.