

Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual Meeting July 21, 2020 4:00 PM

# **Summary Notes**

BOE Attendance:	Administrative Liaison:	Guests:
Dana Krug, chair	Pamela Nathan	Michele Kaish
Rachel Juliana	David Aderhold	
Graelynn McKeown		

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) District Professional Development

Administrative Retreat – August 11, 12, 13, 14, 2020

New Teacher Orientation - August 24, 25, 26, 27, 2020

The CC discussed the district professional development as annually scheduled for Administrators and New Teachers. Dr. Nathan additionally shared that posts for presenters for PD sessions in August have been shared with all staff. The district intends to run a variety of sessions to support the return to school in hybrid and virtual environments. All summer professional development will be held virtually.

#### II. (•) Digital Tools

#### **K-12**

#### LinkIt!

Dr. Nathan shared an example from the K-12 Flexible Tools and Content subcommittee. Digital resources such as Pear Deck, Gizmos, Pivot, Dreambox, Google Apps, and more will allow our teachers and students to use technology to connect, collaborate, create, learn, and build skill sets in virtual and hybrid learning environments. An additional resource LinkIt! was shared with the committee. LinkIt! is a Data Management and Assessment Warehouse. It provides districts with the ability to collect, sort, display, and manage data from a variety of assessments already utilized by the district and provides options for assessment platforms and processes in our hybrid and virtual classrooms. Teams, as part of the re-entry planning process, are learning more about this resource and how it can support data-driven decisions for instruction.

#### **III.** (\*) Evaluation Instruments

To recommend approval of the following:

- Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching (2013) as the evaluation instrument for all certificated staff, except administrators.
- New Jersey Principal Evaluation for Professional Learning as the evaluation instrument for administrators.
- The Highly Effective Option and the Alternative Evaluation Rubric are being used as part of the evaluation process for Highly Effective Teachers.

The CC recommends approval of the evaluation instruments for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### **IV.** (\*) Professional Development Consultants

• To recommend approval for Asia Society Center for Global Education to provide training sessions, coaching, and instructional resources on global competence during the 2020-2021 school year at a total cost not to exceed \$3,500.

The CC recommends approval of the professional development consultants to continue our partnership with the Asia Society as part of our Strategic Goal Two work.

#### V. (\*) High School Program

• To approve one high school student to enroll in an online course at Fuel Education, LLC, for the 2020-2021 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$299.

The CC recommends approval of the program based on the special circumstances.

#### VI. (\*) Technology

To recommend approval of the following:

- Cisco Meraki: Replacement access points, at a cost of \$190,364.
- Cisco Security: Yearly renewal of the district anti-virus, internet security and internet filtering services, at a cost of \$89,982.85.
- Microsoft: Yearly renewal of all the district's Microsoft licenses, including: Windows, Office, server software and email, at a cost of \$63,195.82.
- Kace: Yearly renewal of maintenance and support for district ticket system and asset inventory system, at a cost of \$90,042.23.
- VMWare: Yearly renewal for licenses for district remote desktops, at a cost of \$217,000.
- Flex (EA) Yearly renewal to support the additional classroom phones that were added as part of the security initiative, at a cost of \$46,614.
- SmartNet Yearly renewal to support district network hardware, at a cost of \$90,862.22.
- Purchase 450 Dell laptops, at a cost of \$434,250.
- Purchase 400 Video Converters, at a cost of \$14,000.
- Purchase 400 Document Cameras, at a cost of \$85,600.
- Purchase 500 Wireless Headphones, at a cost of \$87,500.
- Purchase 24 Thermal Cameras, at a cost of \$131,583.12.
- Purchase Zoom Video Conferencing Software license (700), at a cost of \$72,000.

The CC recommends approval of the Technology purchases (some will be located in a different part of the agenda)

#### VII. (\*) Professional Development

- Four teachers and one administrator per session to participate in the Rider University Science Education and Literacy Center's (SELECT) NGSS assessment professional learning workshop series at Rider University, Lawrenceville, New Jersey for 4 sessions during the 2020-2021 school year at a total group cost of \$300, plus mileage.
- One staff member to attend a virtual AP Economics Macro and Micro Online Summer Institute offered through APSI at Manhattan College, from August 3, 2020 through August 7, 2020 at a cost of \$850.
- One staff member to attend a virtual AP Environmental Science Summer Institute offered through Marin on the Bay, from July 13, 2020 through July 16, 2020 at a cost of \$625. The CC recommends approval of the professional development sessions.

#### VIII. (\*) Community Education Programs

To recommend approval of the listing of Community Education Fall 2020Virtual Enrichment, Adult and Youth Programs, Family Fun Friday, and Extended School Day programs.

The CC recommends approval of the Community Education Programs.

\*Additional details for some of the programs below:

Virtual AM EDP:

Unofficially named "Mindful Mornings." This one-hour program will allow students to warm up their brains before beginning their day of virtual school. An instructor will lead the group through mindful activities such as journaling, self-reflection, morning shares, small-scale art activities and morning stretches.

This is a monthly registration. Students will be given a box of supplies needed for the specific month. Parents may curbside pick-up the supplies prior to the new month at a location provided by the Community Education office.

#### Virtual PM EDP:

Afternoon Virtual EDP will take place once the virtual school day ends. Each day of the week has a specific theme: Make-It Mondays (Art), Test it Tuesdays (Science), Worldly Wednesdays (service projects, languages, etc.), Thirst for Knowledge Thursdays (book and writing clubs), and Fun Fridays (group games, family activities, etc.) Along with the specific daily themed activity, students will also participate in a physical activity and a group closing activity.

This is also a monthly registration. Students will be provided with a box of supplies needed for the specific month. Parents will be able to curbside pick-up supplies prior to the new month at a location provided by the Community Education office.

#### **Virtual Lunch Bunch**

Lunchtime at home can be kind of quiet! But lunch with friends and other students also participating in virtual school is even better! Lunch Bunch provides students with a virtual social gathering space where they can participate in group discussions, daily challenges and general sharing. The format is less structured to allow for students to simply be themselves and unwind. The hour-long program is facilitated and supervised by a Community Education staff member.

#### Virtual Lunchtime Quiz Bowl

Why watch TV at lunchtime, when you can play games against your friends and other students around the district? Each day, students will participate in trivia games, spelling bees, mind bending activities and other games just fun. Laugh with us as we try to guess what's hidden in the box in a 20-questions style game or put your drawing skills to the test in Pictionary! This hour-long program will be facilitated and supervised by a Community Education staff member.

\*All programs must reach a minimum number of registrants in order to run. Virtual EDP is a monthly registration with all supplies included while the lunchtime activities are weekly registrations with no additional supplies.

#### Next Meeting Date: August 25, 2020



### West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual Meeting August 25, 2020 4:00 PM

# Summary Notes

<b>BOE Attendance:</b>	Administrative Liaison:	Guestin Guesti
Dana Krug, chair	Pamela Nathan	Michele Kaish
Rachel Juliana	David Aderhold	
Graelynn McKeown		

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) AP Results

Dr. Nathan shared a few slides with our district's AP results with the committee. This was the first year our students took the exam remotely. Our students performed similarly to when in person administration. A presentation will be delivered for AP results at our next meeting.

#### **II.** (•) District Professional Development

#### Opening Day - September 2 & 3, 2020

Dr. Nathan shared that administrators have been working hard behind the scenes to get agendas and presentations ready for staff on Wednesday and Thursday (Sept 2-3). Opening days include learning around safety protocols, mandatory training, professional development and community building with staff as we kick off the new school year.

#### III. (•) Virtual Summer Professional Development Workshops

Dr. Nathan shared with the CC the numerous offerings and opportunities for staff to professionally develop throughout August. These virtual sessions range from learning about Zoom, Math Workshop, Literacy, to Equity and Inclusivity, to building relationships and SEL in our hybrid and virtual classrooms. Staff attendance has been unprecedented.

#### IV. (\*) Curriculum

#### To recommend approval of the following new and/or revised curricula:

- 1. Chemistry
- 2. Descriptive Astronomy
- 3. AP Environmental Science
- 4. Genetics
- 5. Robotic Engineering
- 6. Digital Communication
- 7. Information Literacy & Technology Grade 3
- 8. Information Literacy & Technology Grade 4
- 9. Information Literacy & Technology Grade 5
- 10. DLI K Chinese Language Arts
- 11. DLI K Spanish Language Arts
- 12. Chinese Culture and Literacy Grade 2
- 13. Spanish Culture and Literacy Grade 2
- 14. AP European History
- 15. Calculus Honors

- 16. Career Readiness
- 17. Math 8
- 18. Precalculus Honors
- 19. LA I CP & Honors
- 20. LA II CP & Honors
- 21. LA IV CP & Honors
- 22. Computer Art & Design I
- 23. AP Chemistry
- 24. AP Biology
- 25. Computer Art & Design II

The CC recommends approval of the curriculum documents. A formal presentation will be conducted at the next board meeting as additional documents will be added. Curriculum revisions and creation are part of an on-going cycle of improvement that allow us to reflect in our courses the most current content, thinking, standards and skills for student achievement.

#### V. (\*) Statement of Assurance for District Professional Development Plan and District Mentoring Plan

• To recommend submission of the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District Board of Education's District Professional Development Plan and District Mentoring Plan Statement of Assurance for the 2020-2021 school year to the New Jersey Department of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9C-4.2.

The CC recommends approval for the District Professional Development Plan and District Mentoring Plan.

#### VI. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval of the following:

• Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA) to provide mentoring management services for new administrators in the district at a cost of \$850 each. The district also agrees to reimburse new administrators for the cost of their mentor at \$1,500 for the first year and \$1,000 for the second year.

• Six staff members to attend a virtual PLYOGA Educator Certification training, August 11, 2020, not to exceed \$300.

The CC recommends approval for the professional development for new administrators and for the six staff members to participate in virtual PIYOGA for Educator Certification.

#### VIII. (\*) Professional Contracts

• To recommend approval of District Wide licensing of Pear Deck premium access, allowing teachers and students to use technology to connect, collaborate, create, learn and build skill sets in virtual and hybrid learning environments, from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021, at a cost not to exceed \$21,000.

The CC recommends the approval of district wide licensing of Pear Deck premium access.

#### Next Meeting Date: September 15, 2020–7:00 pm

\*may need to alter time/date to accommodate team



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual September 14, 2020 4:00 PM

<b>BOE Attendance:</b>	Administrative Liaison:	Guests:
Dana Krug, chair	Pamela Nathan	Michele Kaish
Rachel Juliana	David Aderhold	Summary Notes
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#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Summer Financial Literacy course

Dr. Nathan shared that 208 students participated in the virtual Summer Financial Literacy course.

#### II. (•) Curriculum Presentation

Dr. Nathan shared the curriculum and testing presentation with the committee.

#### III. (\*) Curriculum

To recommend approval of the following new and/or revised curricula:

- 1. AT Physics
- 2. Essential Literacy
- 3. Algebra 2 H&A
- 4. Algebra 1/Algebra 1 Honors
- 5. Math 7/Math 7 Honors

The CC recommends the approval of the curriculum documents.

#### IV. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval of the following:

- Entering into a contract with Flemington-Raritan Regional School District to provide 2020-2021 Reading Recovery professional development and technical support for nine (9) reading recovery teachers at a cost of \$8,100.00 plus mileage.
- Reading and Writing Project Network training through Columbia University at a cost of approximately \$120,000. [The 2020-2021 contract covers consultant days and travel expenses, which will be paid through 2021 Every Student Succeeds Act Title II grant funds.]
- To recommend approval for two virtual Fishbird Training workshops for district staff members at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00
- To recommend approval of Kolbe Index A assessments for all participants at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00.

The CC recommends approval of the professional development contracts and sessions for staff and administrators.

#### V. (\*) Professional Contracts

• To recommend approval of District Wide Licensing of CogAT Online. From September 2020 through June 2021, at a cost not to exceed \$21,630.00.

The CC recommends approval of the CogAT Online Assessment. This will replace Inview for cognitive testing for 2nd and 5th grade. CogAT can be used remotely and is a digital assessment similar to Inview.

#### Next Meeting Date: October 13, 2020 – 4:00 pm



Dana Krug, chair Rachel Juliana

Graelynn McKeown

West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education

Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual October 13, 2020 4:00 PM

Administrative Liaison:

Pamela Nathan David Aderhold Guest: Michele Kaish

# **Summary Notes**

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Current instructional model for virtual / hybrid learning

Dr. Nathan and Dr. Aderhold discussed that the current model is constantly being analyzed as we monitor health, safety, the rate of transmission in the state, and our students' learning needs. At this time, the current model will continue with hybrid and virtual students.

#### II. (•) Professional Development / Screen time

In order to be responsive to family and staff needs, Dr. Nathan and Dr. Aderhold shared that a structure is being developed to support professional development time for staff while alleviating screen time for K-5 students and utilizing asynchronous time for 6-12 students one afternoon per week. This model would utilize a conference schedule for K-5 students so that all classes would happen in the morning portion of the day and students would not log back in for virtual classes in the afternoon. For 6-12 students, teachers would provide asynchronous assignments and their schedules would remain unchanged. During those afternoon times, staff would be engaged in professional development and collaboration time. More information will be communicated as the plan is further developed.

#### III. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- 5 district employees to attend the Institute to Support High-Leverage Writing Instruction for Students Learning English as a New Language. Virtual, on November 4, 2020 to November 6, 2020, at a cost not to exceed \$650.00 (partially funded through WWPEA contractual allowance).
- Up to 5 district employees to attend the Culturally Responsive Literature Instruction. Virtual on November 4, 2020 to November 17, 2020, at a cost not to exceed \$149.00

The CC recommends approval of the professional development opportunities.

#### IV. (\*) Community Education Winter/Early Spring 2020/2021 Programs

To recommend approval of the Community Education Winter/Early Spring 2020/2021 Youth and Adult programs.

The CC recommends approval of the Community Education Programs.

#### V. (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials

To approve the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 806 books Millstone River School Media Center
- 962 books High School North Media Center
- 1356 books Community Middle School Media Center

The CC recommends approval for the disposal of the materials.

Next Meeting Date: November 10, 2020 4:00pm (virtual)



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual November 10, 2020 4:00 PM

Summary Notes

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug, chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown Administrative Liaison: Pamela Nathan David Aderhold Guests: Michele Kaish Lee McDonald

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) 2021-2022 High School Program of Studies

Dr. Nathan and Dr. McDonald shared the revisions to the Program of Study for the 21-22 school year. A presentation will be given to the full board.

#### II. (•) Guest Speaker, Pulitzer Prize winning writer Jhumpa Lahiri

Discussed the possibility of guest speakers like Jhumpa Lahiri.

The CC had a discussion centered around the availability of guest speakers, number of students to experience guest speakers, and cost (if any or honorarium) in a school year. The committee discussed a variety of variables such as the cost of honorariums, the number of students impacted, staff training, and the presentation format. At this time the committee determined not to move forward any guest speaker contracts geared toward student audiences.

#### III. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- To recommend approval for two virtual Fishbird Training workshops for district staff members at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00
- To recommend approval of Kolbe Index A assessments for all participants at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00.

The CC recommends approval of professional development. Fishbird is a program of interactive workshops and coaching where participants align to a shared purpose and continue to develop the skills and insights to lead powerfully from that purpose.

#### IV. (\*) Community Education Spring Break 2020/2021 Virtual Programs To recommend approval of additional Community Education Spring Break 2020/2021 virtual programs.

The CC recommends approval of the virtual programs to run during spring break.

#### Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 8, 2020 4:00 pm (virtual)



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual December 8, 2020 4:00 PM

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug, chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown Administrative Liaison: Pamela Nathan David Aderhold Summary Notes Guests: Michele Kaish

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (\*) HS Program of Studies

To recommend approval of the 2020-2021 High School Program of Studies.

The CC recommends the approval of the High School Program of Studies.

#### **II.** (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials

To recommend approval of the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 762 books from High School North Media Center
- 517 book from High School South Media Center
- 1,472 books from Community Middle School Media Center
- 52 books from Grover Middle School Media Center
- 1173 books from Maurice Hawk Elementary School Media Center

All items meet one or more of the below criteria:

- i. Are so outdated as to no longer serve as worthy instructional tools, OR
- ii. Are so worn and/or damaged as to preclude effective use and economical repair or restoration.

The CC recommends the disposal of instructional materials.

#### Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2020 4:00 pm (virtual)



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual January 19, 2021 4:00 PM

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug, chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown

#### Administrative Liaison:

Pamela Nathan David Aderhold https://zoom.us/j/94214027391#s uccess

#### Guests: Summary Notes

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Review Option II Data

The CC reviewed the Option II data with Dr. Nathan. New criteria were utilized due the pandemic. The district will be using the original criteria for 2021.

#### II. (•) Staff Professional Development Day, February 15, 2021

Dr. Nathan shared the SMORE (digital newsletter with links and information) for the District PD day in February. An unconference, virtual EdCamp will be utilized and staff can begin signing up for topics and sessions.

#### III. (•) Vetting Process for K-5 Math Resources

Dr. Nathan shared that the district is researching a foundational math provider/program to be utilized as a resource in K-5 to support the Math Workshop instructional approach.

#### IV. (•) K-5 Report Card Revision

Dr. Nathan shared that feedback from various teams in the district have pointed to a need to revise our current K-5 standards-based report card. Specific attention to the 21st Century Skills sections among a few other areas for revision. Committees will be formed and surveys for feedback will be created for all stakeholder groups.

V. (\*) Community Education Spring / Summer 2021 Programs To recommend approval of the Community Education Spring/Summer 2021 Youth programs.

The CC recommends approval of the Community Education Spring and Summer 2021 courses.

VI. (\*) 2021 Summer Course

To recommend approval of an on-line, district Financial Literacy course for summer 2021, at a cost of \$350 per student. Upon successful completion, students will receive 2.5 credits.

The CC recommends approval of the Financial Literacy course for summer 2021.

#### VII. (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials

To recommend approval of the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 170 books from High School North Media Center
- 537 books from High School South Media Center
- All items meet one or more of the below criteria:
  - i. Are so outdated as to no longer serve as worthy instructional tools, OR
  - ii. Are so worn and/or damaged as to preclude effective use and economical repair or restoration.

The CC recommends disposal of the Instructional Materials.

VIII.

(•) Proposed Future Meeting Dates Tuesday, February 16, 2021 Tuesday, March 16, 2021 Tuesday, April 20, 2021 Tuesday, May 18, 2021 Tuesday, June 15, 2021 Tuesday, July 20, 2021 Tuesday, August 24, 2021 Tuesday, September 14, 2021 Tuesday, October 12, 2021 Tuesday, November 9, 2021 Tuesday, December 7, 2021 Tuesday, January 18, 2022



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting February 16, 2021 7:00 PM Virtual Summary Notes

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug, Chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown Administrative Liaison: Pamela Nathan David Aderhold <u>Guests:</u> Andrea Bean

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Curriculum Writing / Professional Development

Dr. Nathan shared the upcoming curriculum work and professional development for spring with the Curriculum Committee. Posts have been created for staff to apply for the writing opportunities. Curriculum work is selected due to changes in standards shared by the NJDOE, timelines for implementation of those standards, and our district goals.

#### II. (•) Athletic conversation and Instructional Program

Dr. Aderhold shared information about athletics and instructional programs (virtual and hybrid settings) with the CC.

#### III. (\*) 2021 Summer Course

• To recommend approval of an on-line, district Discrete Math course for summer 2021, at a cost of \$650 per student. Upon successful completion, students will receive 1/2 year credit on their transcript.

The CC recommends approval of a joint venture between Community Education and Curriculum and Instruction to offer a 2021 Summer Math course titled Introduction to Discrete Mathematics. This course is designed for students who have completed Algebra 2 and have a passion for mathematics. In place of summer acceleration, this course is an opportunity to choose to explore different branches of mathematics, not traditionally taught in HIgh School. The course is designed to award students <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year mathematics credit from WWP on their official HS transcript. It will be taught by WWP teachers virtually. The cost will not exceed \$650 per student.

#### IV. (\*) 2021 Financial Literacy Summer Course

• To approve Apex Learning to provide an online platform to host the Financial Literacy Summer course at a cost not to exceed \$125 per student.

The CC recommends approval of the 2021 Financial Literacy online platform.

#### V. (\*) Cable TV Interlocal Services

• To authorize the third year of a five-year Shared Services Agreement between West Windsor Township and the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District for cable television originally approved February 19, 2019.

The CC recommends approval of the cable TV interlocal services.

#### Next Meeting Date: March 15, 2021 4pm-5:30pm



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual Meeting March 15, 2021 4:00 PM Summary Notes

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug – Chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown

#### Administrative Liaison:

Pamela Nathan David Aderhold

#### **Guests:**

Anthony Jones Carl Cooper Kyle Schimpf Shriya Sharma(HSN student)

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Current Equity Work Overview

• Anthony Jones, Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity Coordinator

Anthony Jones, DEI Coordinator, joined our meeting to meet the CC team and share the goals of his current work. Dr. Nathan shared the draft internal Equity team website with the CC to illustrate the work unfolding.

#### II. (•) Social Studies Pilot Curriculum Presentation

- Carl Cooper, Supervisor of Social Studies
- Shriya Sharma, High School North Student

Carl Cooper, Supervisor of Social Studies and Shriya Sharma, HSN student, shared information about the pilot project across 7th - 11th grade. Many books were vetted and five have been selected after the pilot for adoption.

#### III. (•) Research Project

• Kyle Schimpf - " Exploring Changing Expectations of Middle School Families within a COVID-19 Context"

Kyle Schimpf, Principal of CMS, shared his dissertation proposal and current research with the CC.

#### IV. (•) Financial Literacy Summer Enrollment

Dr. Nathan shared the current waitlist numbers with the CC and the process for prioritizing students for the summer course as the Financial Literacy Course is a graduation requirement.

#### V. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- Nineteen staff members to attend "Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), Science Literacies, and Activism" Virtually, May 17, 2021 May 19, 2021, at a cost of \$650 per person.
- Five staff members to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Writing Institute, virtually, from June 21, 2021 to June 25, 2021, at a cost of \$850 per person.
- Six staff members to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Reading Institute, virtually, from June 28, 2021 to July 2, 2021, at a cost of \$850 per person.
- One staff member to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Equity Institute, virtually from June 21, 2021 to June 25, 2021, at a cost of \$850 per person.

The CC recommends approval of the Professional Development Opportunities for staff.

#### VI. (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials

To recommend approval of the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 618 books from Maurice Hawk Media Center
- Wenzel Kohler 1/4 size Bass, serial number VVK
- Yamaha 1/2 Size Cello, serial number 00647
- Meisel 3/4 size Cello, serial number 61280
- Meisel 4/4 Size Cello, serial number 61277

All items meet one or more of the below criteria:

- i. Are so outdated as to no longer serve as worthy instructional tools, OR
- ii. Are so worn and/or damaged as to preclude effective use and economical repair or restoration.

The CC recommends approval of the disposal of instructional materials based on the criteria for disposal.

#### VII. (\*) Donation

To recommend acceptance of one Eb Alto model saxophone, made by Cousenon (Paris) Monopole Conservatoire, from a West Windsor resident, for use by the district's music department.

The CC recommends acceptance of the Eb Alto model saxophone donation.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Virtual Meeting April 20, 2021 7:00PM Summary Notes

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#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug – Chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown

#### Pamela Nathan David Aderhold

<u>Guests:</u> Melissa Pearson Rich Stec

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (\*) Adoption

• To recommend adoption of the following textbook for Descriptive Astronomy: <u>Astronomy</u>, 2016 by Openstax.

The CC recommends the adoption of the Descriptive Astronomy textbook. Mr. Stec, Science Supervisor, joined the committee meeting and shared the vetting process. After several textbooks from various publishers were vetted, Openstax was selected based on it's alignment with the strategic goal work and its ability to support teaching and learning in Astronomy.

• Foundational Math Resource K-5

The CC recommends the adoption of Bridges, foundational math resource for elementary grades K-5. The implementation will be a multi-year progression, starting with Kindergarten, 1st and 5th grade in year 1 (2021-2022) of the roll out. A team of elementary building leaders, supervisors, teacher resources specialists, and basic skills math teachers met with the vendors. They reviewed the print resources in digital format, student resources and manipulatives, online tools and other digital resources

Unanimously, the team recommended Bridges in Mathematics program. The comprehensive program includes components for number routines, rich tasks, investigations, and explorations to support the development of deep mathematical understanding. These are resources to support the philosophy and structures of math workshop.

#### II. (\*) Community Education Preschool Summer Virtual Camps 2021 To recommend approval of the Community Education Preschool Summer Virtual Camps.

The CC recommends approval of the pre-school summer virtual camps.

**III.** (\*) Northwest Evaluation Association To recommend approval of the following: • Entering into an agreement with Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) to supply web-based Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) math, reading, and language arts assessments for students in English and in Spanish. The cost of the materials through June 2022 is approximately \$61.995.50.

The CC recommends approval of the NWEA Map agreement.

#### IV. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval of the following professional development:

- One staff member to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Reading Institute, virtually, from July 19, 2021 to July 23, 2021, at a cost of \$850.00.
- One staff member to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Writing Institute, virtually, from August 2, 2021 to August 6, 2021, at a cost of \$850.00.
- Two staff members to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Reading Institute, virtually, from August 9, 2021 to August 13, 2021, at a cost of \$850 per person.
- Two staff members to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Reading Institute, virtually, from June 28, 2021 to July 2, 2021, at a cost of \$850 per person.
- One staff member to attend a one-week Teachers College Summer Phonics Institute, virtually, from August 16 to August 20, 2021, at a cost of \$850.
- Two staff members to attend a one day Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Rutgers University workshop, virtually, May 6, 2021, at a cost of \$200.00 per person.
- One staff member to attend a one day Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Rutgers University workshop, virtually, May 27, 2021, at a cost of \$200.00.

The CC recommends approval of professional development.

#### Next Meeting Date: May 18, 2021 7:00pm (virtual)



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Board Office Conference Room May 18, 2021 7:00 PM

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug – Chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown

#### Administrative Liaison:

Pamela Nathan David Aderhold <u>Guests:</u>

# Summary Notes

#### DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)

#### Join Zoom Meeting

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#### I. (•) High School Algebra 2/Algebra 2 Honors Pilot

Dr. Nathan and the CC discussed a pilot for next school year. When students wish to drop from Advanced Algebra 2 Honors into Advanced Algebra 2, we cannot always accommodate the change. When we can, their schedule changes and they may have to move several classes, changing teachers. We would like to accommodate students by letting them stay in the Honors class with the teacher differentiating the materials for their learning and students would take the CP assessments. This is like the Middle School model of having the levels mixed with one difference. The Middle School classes are mixed from the beginning. These classes would start as all Honors and become mixed as students wish to make a change.

#### II. (\*) Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Non-Public Services

To authorize the second year of a five-year agreement with Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, to provide administration of non-public funds for non-public school students within the district in accordance with the State Board of Education guidelines as required:

- 192/193 services for non-public instructional services to non-public school students within the district in accordance with the State Board of Education guidelines under Public Law 1977, Chapters 192/193 (N.J.S.A. 18A:46-1 to 17 and N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.1 to 19.9).
- Non-public nursing services in accordance with the New Jersey Nonpublic Nursing Law guidelines under Public Law 1991, Chapter 226.
- Nonpublic Technology Initiative Program, pursuant to the requirements of the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program
- Non-public Textbook services in accordance with the requirement of the New Jersey Textbook Law, NJSA 18A:58-37.1 et seq.
- Non-public Title III and Title III Immigrant funds administration, pursuant to the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

- Non-public Security Aid Program funds administration, pursuant to the requirements of the New Jersey Nonpublic Security Aid Program.
- Nonpublic IDEA-B funds administration, in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part B (IDEA-B).

The CC recommends the approval of the Educational Services Commission of NJ Non-Publice Services

#### III. (\*) Startalk Grant Hindi/Urdu Summer Program

To approve the following consultants to provide services in relation to, and funded by, the 2020-2022 Startalk Hindi/Urdu Summer Program:

Mamta Puri – Co-Director Nusrat Sohail – Co-Director Rajni Bhargava - Lead Instructor Avani Shah, Soma Svyas, Hajrah Butt, Farhana Omarzai, Anuradha Puri, Zarreen Yasin -Teachers Sarita Singh, Zainab Shafi, Renu Taneja, Amber Huq, Neetu Pal, Farzana Haqqi, Maino Murmu - Teaching Assistants Julie D'Aleandro Myers – Coordinator Roseann Zeppieri, Tasha Daubes – Consultant/PD Trainers

The CC recommends the approval of the Startalk Grant.

#### IV. (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials

To approve the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 574 books from the Maurice Hawk Media Center
- 174 books from the High School South Media Center
- 5047 books from the Dutch Neck Media Center
- 1921 books from the Community Middle School Media Center
- 450 books from the Thomas Grover Media Center
- 630 books from the High School North Media Center
- 3601 books from the Millstone River Media Center

All items meet the below criteria:

i. Are so outdated they no longer serve as worthy instructional tools.

The CC recommends approval of disposable materials.

#### V. (\*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- One Calculus AB teacher to attend the 2021 Calculus AB APSI at La Salle University, virtually, from July 12, 2021 through July 15, 2021, at a cost of \$630.00.
- One AP Spanish Literature teacher to attend the 2021 AP Spanish Literature and Culture Summer Institute at Rice University, virtually, from July 26, 2021 through July 30, 2021, at a cost of \$600.00.
- One staff member to attend a one week Teachers College Summer Reading Institute, virtually, from July 19, 2021 through July 23, 2021, at a cost of \$850.00.

- One staff member to attend Harvard Graduate School of Education, Schooling for Critical Consciousness of Racism and Racial Injustice workshop, virtually, from June 9, 2021 through June 22, 2021, at a cost of \$149.00.
- 6 staff members to attend a 4 day Bureau of Education and Research National Train-the-Trainer CO-TEACHING That Works! Institute, virtually, from July 13, 2021 through July 16, 2021, at a cost of \$1295.00 per person.

The CC recommends approval of professional development.

#### VI. (\*) Donation

Accept one Yamaha P2HR Piano from the Glassman family, former residents of West Windsor, for use by the district's music department.

The CC recommends approval of the donation.

#### VII. (\*) Technology

To recommend approval of the following:

- One year agreement with Adobe Education to provide Adobe Creative Cloud software licenses, from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, at a total cost of \$12,500.
- One year agreement with Smart Learning Suite to provide Smart Learning Suite software licenses, from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, at a total cost of \$8,910.00.
- One year agreement with CDW-G for Singlewire Support/Maintenance of District's Notification System. Communication between the District security system, door access, and alarms to outside police and fire. From July 27, 2021 through July 27, 2022, at a cost of \$13,192.00.

The CC recommends approval of the technology agreements.

#### VIII. (\*) Overnight Field Trip

To recommend approval for the following overnight field trip:

High School South

• Swim Team to Coral Springs, Florida, from December 26, 2021 to January 1, 2022. The cost of the trip is approximately \$1,000 per student.

The CC recommends approval of the overnight field trip.

#### Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 5:30pm



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting June 15, 2021 5:30 PM

#### **BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug, chair Rachel Juliana Graelynn McKeown Administrative Liaison: Pamela Nathan David Aderhold Guests: Summary Notes

#### **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) Summer Professional Development

Dr. Nathan shared the variety of sessions in the district's Genesis PD Catalog. Staff can RSVP and see descriptions of sessions in the portal. Sessions target strategic goals such as Equity, SEL and Global Competence as well as targeted skills and content-based sessions.

#### II. (•) <u>Report Card Revision Update</u>

Dr. Nathan shared an update on the report card work in k-5.

The K-5 Report Card revision work will be complete by the end of this summer. Reading, Writing, and Math indicators will stay the same while Social Studies, Science, Competencies (21st Century), and special areas (Music, Art, computers) will have new indicators. The narrative portion of the report card will be expanded as well. The finalized report card will be shared once completed with staff and families. Toolkits will also be shared with staff to support this work and implementation of the revised report card.

#### III. (•) EdCOT Expanded

Dr. Nathan shared EdCot Expanded with the committee. (EdCOT = Educational Classroom Of Today) - district created acronym.

The goal of the EdCOT Expanded pilot is to determine what classroom technology should be used to support authentic learning. Technology in our learning environments need to support conferencing, small group instruction and direct instruction in spaces with multiple learning centers. During the summer (and into the start of the 2021-22 school year) a team consisting of the pilot teachers, instructional specialists, supervisors, and building administration will be reviewing the instructional needs of teachers and students in order to determine the best technology to support those needs.

The idea behind EdCOT was to look at technology integration by starting with instruction. Once the instructional and learning needs are established various technologies are evaluated to determine which would meet these needs. In the original 1st grade pilot it was determined that the primary instructional need was untethering the teacher from the front of the room. In the early elementary classroom instruction can take place anywhere in the room. The technology selected allowed the teacher to record, access and share digital information as they moved throughout the room. While this model has worked very well for 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms that does not mean it is the best solution for all classrooms. Expanding EdCOT will allow teachers to determine what is the best technology to meet their instructional needs.

#### IV. (•) ARPA Application

Dr. Aderhold shared the ARPA grant and the application process involved in order for the district to secure the funds.

#### V. (\*) Professional Development (descriptions)

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

• Three Teacher Resource Specialists to attend the virtual Instructional Coaching Group Teaching Learning Coaching Conference 2021, from November 2, 2021 through November 4, 2021, at a cost of \$599.00 per person.

The CC recommends approval for professional development.

#### VI. (\*) Technology

To recommend approval of the following:

- One year agreement with JAMF to provide management of apps/software on Apple devices, from July 21, 2021 through July 21, 2022, at a total cost of \$21,974.90.
- One year agreement with Better World Education Program, a social and emotional/global learning resource, to provide 225 licenses through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$16,200.00.
- One year agreement with CogAT Online to provide District Wide licensing through June 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$23,200.00.
- One year agreement with DreamBox Learning to provide remote learning/blended learning solutions (advanced) for K-5 students for math digital content instruction through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$55,639.50.
- One year agreement with Explorer Learning Gizmos to provide District Licensing for Middle School Math and Science teachers and Upper Elementary Science teachers through June 30, 2022, at cost not to exceed \$40,896.74.
- One year agreement with Linkit to provide Data Warehousing, Analytics, and Assessment Solutions through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$126,220.00.
- One year agreement with Pear Deck to provide District Wide premium access licensing for teachers and students to use technology to connect, collaborate, create, learn and build skill sets through August 31, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$20,900.00.
- One year agreement with Learning A-Z to provide 174 classroom licenses through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$34,765.20.
- One year agreement with Microsoft for server licenses and applications for the 2021-2022 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$63,048.68.
- One year agreement with Intrado to provide a SchoolMessenger Custom App for iOS and Android mobile devices, for the 2021-2022 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$7,467.20.

The CC recommends approval of the technology agreements..

#### VII. (\*) Professional Contracts

To recommend approval of the following:

• One-year agreement with Funds for Learning, LLC to provide E-rate services from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$3,950.

The CC recommends approval of the professional contracts.

#### VIII. (\*) Professional Development Consultants

To recommend approval of the following Presenters:

- <u>Nurtured Heart Approach</u> to present three 2-hour sessions for district teachers, at a total cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.
- Nurtured Heart Approach to present three 2-hour sessions for district parents, at a total cost not to exceed \$3,000.00.

The CC recommends approval for the professional development consultants.

Next Meeting Date: July 19, 2021 7:00PM