



West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education
Board Curriculum Committee Meeting
Central Office
June 3, 2013 11:00 AM

SUMMARY NOTES

BOE Attendance:

Chair – Richard Kaye

Rachelle Feldman Hurwitz

Dana Krug

Michele Kaish

Administrative Liaison:

Martin Smith

Victoria Kniewel - absent

David Aderhold

Guests:

DISCUSSION (●) / DECISION (*)

I. (●) Summer Reading Lists

The CC reviewed the new list for LA I CP & Honors. The agenda item to approve the summer reading lists will be on the June 11 Board meeting agenda.

II. (●) PSAT

The CC supports the administration of the PSAT to all sophomores & juniors. The administration will take place on October 16, 2013. The CC also discussed administering the ERB assessment to freshman on this date and planning for a Senior program.

III. (●) 8th grade and 3rd grade Exit Assessment

The eighth grade exit assessment will take place the week of June 10th. The students have 3 choices of topics this year. There will be a pilot exit assessment in two third grade classes at each K-3 buildings this year.

IV. (●) 8th grade demographics to Private Schools

The CC reviewed the data on 8th grade students who are leaving WW-P to go to private schools for 9th grade. The CC discussed the ability to interview students as they are leaving and find out why they are choosing to go to a private school. The CC discussed the need to track trends longitudinally and see if there is a change in the numbers of students going to private schools.

V. (●) New Teacher Induction – June 24 - 25, 2013

The professional development for new teachers will be provided by IDE and focus on student-centered instructional strategies and differentiated instruction. The new teachers will have a half day to reflect upon their growth this year and establish goals for the coming school year.

VI. (*) Startalk Grant Hindi Summer Program

To approve the following consultants for services provided in relation to, and funded by, the 2013 Startalk Hindi/Urdu Summer Program:

Rajni Bhargava – Co-Director & Curriculum Development Specialist

Nusrat Sohail – Co-Director & Curriculum Development Specialist

Bindeshwari Aggarwal, Milind Ranade, Humaira Rahman, Talat Shahzadi, Nabeela Farooqi, Dolly Chaterjee – Instructors

Shanti Jain, Sangeeta Jain, Razia Hassan, Shahid Hameed Khan – Teaching Assistants

Julie Meyers – Program Coordinator

Sehrish Shahzadi, Talia Khan, Roshni Shibad, Tarka Aggarwal – Junior Assistants

Rosanne Zeppieri - Lead Instructor

The CC supports approving the consultants for the 2013 Startalk Hindi/Urdu Summer Program.

VII. (*) Technology

To approve a one-year agreement with mylessonplanner.com to provide, support, hosting and maintenance of mylessonplanner.com, a web-based lesson planning technology for the entire district, from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, at a cost of \$19,950.

The CC supports approving the one-year agreement.

VIII. (*) Professional Development

To approve district membership in Teachers as Scholars at Princeton University for the 2013-2014 school year at a cost of \$2,000. Membership includes admission to seven Teachers as Scholars seminars and one Administrators as Scholars seminar.

To approve a one-year agreement with Teachscape to provide end-user licensing for Danielson Framework evaluation training and certification for 20 district administrators, from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, for a total cost of \$7,980.

The CC supports approving these professional development opportunities.

IX. (*) New Resource Adoption

- To recommend adoption of Wheelock's Latin, by Frederic M. Wheelock, as a resource for the high school courses Latin III and Latin IV. Cost of the purchase is approximately \$22 per text and \$440 total.

- To recommend adoption of Lab Manual – AP Chemistry, by The College Board, as a resource for the high school course AP Chemistry. Cost of the purchase is approximately \$16 per manual and \$4,000 total

The CC supports the recommendation to purchase these two resources.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, July 15, 2013 11:00am

Future Topics:

Program Review Updates

New Teacher Orientation August 2013

Submit FY14 NCLB Application