



SUMMARY NOTES

BOE Attendance:

Chair – Richard Kaye
 Rachelle Feldman Hurwitz
 Dana Krug
 Michele Kaish

Administrative Liaison:

Martin Smith
 David Aderhold
 Gerard Dalton

Guests:

Deborah Batchelor

DISCUSSION (●) / DECISION (*)

I. (●) Special Services Program Review Update

Deb Batchelor provided an update on the work done during the 2012-13 school year on the recommendations from the Special Services Program Review. One focus of this year included implementing IEP Direct as a system to bring consistency to procedures and access to the IEP process. A behavioral disabilities class was implemented this year at CMS. A Board certified teacher resource specialist was hired to work as a Board Certified Behavioral Analyst. Special Services focused on transitions within the program and articulation from one level to the next. SEPTSA meetings were held monthly to work with parent and community concerns. The plan is to hold these bi-monthly next school year. Lee McDonald held many meetings at each level within the district to begin to build a consistent and coherent I&RS process. The Special services will hold a public presentation at the October Board meeting to provide the community with this update.

II. (●) District Professional Development

- Administrative Retreat – August 13, 14, 15, 16, 2013
- New Teacher Orientation – August 27, 28, 29, 2013
- Convocation - September 3, 2013

The Administrative Retreat will focus on team building and the new evaluation procedures for administrators and teachers. New Teacher Orientation will also focus on the new evaluation system. Opening Convocation will be a videotaped message delivered on DVD at each building.

III. (●) AP Results Review

This year 2072 AP exams were taken by students and 92.8 of students scored a 3, 4, or 5 on these exams. The Committee discussed the exams that students are taking in which we don't offer an AP course. We will continue to investigate possible programmatic changes in course offerings.

IV. (*) Donations

- To accept a monetary donation from the Town Center Elementary School PTA, Inc. in the amount of \$6,750 to purchase document cameras for each classroom.
- To accept a monetary donation from the Dutch Neck School PTA in the amount of \$11,664 for the purchase of SmartBoards, and iPads for classrooms.
- To accept a donation from the Dutch Neck School PTA of technology items for the classroom with a value of approximately \$3,451.27 as follows:

Quantity	Item Name	Approximate Total Cost
3	iPad2 + Apple Care	\$1,494.00
21	IPEVO Document Cameras	\$1,604.88
1	iPod	\$ 294.04
4	iPad Covers	\$ 103.35

The Curriculum Committee supports accepting these donations

V. (*) Professional Development

- To recommend approval for the Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA) to provide mentoring management services for new administrators in the district at a cost of \$800 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.
- To recommend approval for the Reading and Writing Project Network training through Columbia University at a cost of approximately \$79,500. [The 2013-2014 contract covers consultant days and travel expenses, which will be paid through 2014 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds.]
- To recommend approval for the Reading and Writing Project Network to provide 2013-2014 professional development services for administrators, according to state-mandated professional growth plans, at a cost not to exceed \$8,475. [Paid through 2014 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds.]
- To recommend approval for the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project to supply 100 tickets for the attendance by teachers and administrators to professional development workshops at Teachers College at Columbia University during the 2013-2014 school year, at a cost of \$5,000. Workshops will be charged as per contract less the cost of the prepaid ticket. [Paid through 2014 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds.]
- To recommend Teachers College Reading and Writing Project to provide professional development and technical support for 6 lead teachers during the 2013-2014 school year, at a cost of \$750 per teacher and \$4,500 total. [Paid through 2014 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds.]
- To recommend entering into a contract with New York University Reading Recovery to provide 2013-2014 Reading Recovery professional development and technical support for eight (8) reading recovery teachers at a cost of \$7,200.

The Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the professional development opportunities.

VI. (*) Grants

To recommend submission of the entitlement grant of \$519,172 for the “No Child Left Behind Act” Consolidated formula sub-grant from the State of New Jersey (formerly the IASA), for the Fiscal Year 2014.

Title I Part A	\$248,453
Title II Part A	\$107,098
Title III	\$ 53,811
Title III Immigrant	\$109,810

The Curriculum Committee recommends submission of the grant.

VII. (*) Nonpublic Technology Aid

To accept Nonpublic Technology Aid from the State of New Jersey, Department of Education, Division of Finance, for use in compliance with the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program, as follows:

American Boychoir School, The	\$ 520.00
Childrens House of the Windsors	\$ 820.00
French American School of Princeton	\$1,860.00
Montessori Corner at Princeton Meadows	\$ 620.00
Montessori Country Day	\$ 580.00
The Wilberforce School	\$2,100.00

To approve the second year of a three-year agreement between Middlesex County Regional Education Service Commission (MCRESC) and West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District for the period August 21, 2012, through June 30, 2015, to administer the Non-Public School Technology Aid in accordance with guidelines established by the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program.

The Curriculum Committee recommends accepting the aid and approving the agreement.

VIII. (*) Travel

To recommend authorization for the two program directors for the STARTALK Hindi/Urdu Immersion Camp to attend the 2012 Post-Program Network for Program Excellence meeting in October 2013 (actual date and location to be determined) at a cost not to exceed \$1,500 per person [paid through the STARTALK Hindi/Urdu Grant]. This is the wrap-up and debrief meeting for project directors and faculty from STARTALK 2013 programs. This item will appear on the board agenda once the dates and location are announced.

The Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the travel.

IX. (*) Community Education Programs

To recommend approval of the listing of Community Education Fall 2013 Afterschool Enrichment Courses Offerings.

The Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the programs.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 9, 2013 11:00am

Future Topics

Field Trip Approvals

Program Review Updates

Program of Studies (October)