

West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education

Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Superintendent's Office November 4, 2013 11:00 AM

SUMMARY NOTES

BOE Attendance:

Chair – Richard Kaye Rachelle Feldman Hurwitz Dana Krug Michele Kaish **Administrative Liaison:**

Martin Smith
David Aderhold

Guests:

Rick Cave

DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (*)

I. (●) Technology update

The 1:1 Pilot is proceeding well. The teachers and students are overwhelmingly excited about working with the Chromebooks and are using them to support student learning. We have been working through issues as they arise. These include the parental purchase of insurance and monitoring tools such as Google Vault and Hapara. There have been a couple of parents who do not want their child to have an email account or to use computers in the home. We continue to provide training for the community about a 21st century learning environment and the use of technology to support learning.

II. (•) Program of Studies

The Curriculum Committee reviewed updates to the 2014-15 Program of Studies. These include:

- Clarification to the Option ii procedures to indicate what types of courses will be approved.
- The addition of World History Honors
- The switch from semester courses to Language Arts III (Honors and College Prep) for 2014-15 & then for LA IV in the 2015-16 school year.
- Updating the course descriptions for several Life Skills courses.
- Deleting Latin I & II as course offerings and changing Latin III & IV to on-line courses.
- Looking into renaming the Senior Option program.
- Environmental Science is now open to 9th through 12 graders.

The Curriculum Committee will continue to review the Program of Studies in December.

III. (*) NJ QSAC

District Performance Review & Statement of Assurances

Approval to submit District Performance Review and Statement of Assurances, New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJ QSAC), resolution:

Whereas, the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District Board of Education in the County of Mercer is undergoing evaluation under NJ QSAC for the 2013-2014 school year; and

Whereas, *N.J.A.C.* 6A:30-3.2(f) requires participating school districts to hold a public meeting to approve the submission of the district's DPR responses and the Statement of Assurance with respect to this process; and

Whereas, the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District Board of Education in the County of Mercer has reviewed the district's DPR responses and Statement of Assurance and hereby approves these documents; now, therefore be it.

Resolved, that the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the attached DPR and SOA to the Commissioner of Educations in compliance with the provisions of *N.J.A.C.* 6A:30-3.2(f). The Curriculum Committee reviewed the Instruction and Program sections of the DPRs & SOAs and approves the submission of QSAC.

IV. (*) Technology

Student Information System

To recommend renewal of the annual subscription with Custom Computer Specialists, Inc., for the Infinite Campus District Edition student information data system software license and support from December 1, 2013, to November 30, 2014, in the amount of \$125,351.75, based upon enrollment. [There is no change in the per-student subscription cost.]

Online Registration System

To approve Custom Computer Specialists, Inc. to provide implementation services support and training for the Infinite Campus online registration system, at a cost of \$3,900.

The Curriculum Committee approves these purchases.

V. (*) Investing in Innovation (i3) Grant Acceptance

To recommend acceptance of Investing in Innovation (i3) grant funds of \$4,500 from Flemington-Raritan School District to be used for expenses related to new Reading Recovery teachers attending reading recovery training for the 2013-2014 school year.

The Curriculum Committee recommends acceptance of these funds.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, December 2, 2013 11:00am

Future Topics
Summer Assignments
Professional Development
Field Trip Approvals
Program Review Updates