



West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education
Board Curriculum Committee Meeting
Central Office Conference Room
July 1, 2014 5:30 PM

SUMMARY NOTES - Revised

BOE Attendance:

Chair – Richard Kaye
Rachelle Feldman Hurwitz
Scott Powell

Administrative Liaison:

Martin Smith
David Aderhold

Guests:

DISCUSSION (●) / DECISION (*)

I. (●) Review of District Goals

As a follow-up to the June 23 Board Retreat, the CC reviewed the three district goals established for the 14-15 school year and provided feedback on these.

II. (●) Merit Goals for the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents

The CC reviewed the proposed merit goals for the Superintendent and the three Assistant Superintendents.

III. (*) Textbook Adoption

To adopt Campbell Biology in Focus (AP Edition) by Urry, Cain, Wasserman, Minorsky, Jackson, Reece (2014), for the high school AP Biology course. [The cost of the purchase is approximately \$130 per text, for a total cost of \$26,000.]

The Curriculum Committee recommends adoption of the textbook.

IV. (*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- 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.
- Three administrators to attend the institute on the Teaching of Writing, from Monday August 4, 2014, through Friday August 8, 2014, at Columbia University, New York City, at a cost of \$750, plus travel.
- Five teachers to attend a one week institute on the Teaching of Writing or Reading in August 2014, at Columbia University, New York City, at a cost of \$750, plus travel.

The Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the professional development.

V. (*) Grants

- To recommend submission of the entitlement grant of \$576,785 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	\$255,214
Title II Part A	\$108,050
Title III	\$ 51,147
Title III Immigrant	\$162,374

The Curriculum Committee recommends submission of the NCLB grant.

- To recommend acceptance of a WWP Education Foundation grant for 4th grade science Mini-Maker kits, 2 Makey-Makey Boards and related professional development for 4th grade teachers at a value of \$18,550.

The Curriculum Committee recommends acceptance of the WWP Education Foundation grant.

The following items were reviewed by the Curriculum Committee after the Committee meeting.

VI. (*) Grants

- To recommend approval of the continued partnership with Rider University's Connect-Ed Consortium Program Phase III Initiative with Rider University and The Science Education and Literacy Center (SELECT) by approving the carryover of the remaining grant funds of \$4,527.29 through June 30, 2015. [The Memorandum of Understanding and grant funds were originally approved March 12, 2013.]

The Curriculum Committee recommends the carryover of the remaining Connect-Ed grant funds.

VII. (*) Professional Development

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- The Reading and Writing Project Network to provide an additional day of on-site professional development services for administrators at a cost not to exceed \$3,000 [Paid through 2014 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds].

The Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the professional development.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 5:30pm

Future Topics

Professional Development

Field Trip Approvals