

West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education

Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Central Office Conference Room September 9, 2014 7:00 PM

SUMMARY NOTES

BOE Attendance:

Chair – Richard Kaye Rachelle Feldman Hurwitz Scott Powell **Administrative Liaison:**

Martin Smith
David Aderhold

Guests:

DISCUSSION (•) / **DECISION** (*)

I. (●) Gifted & Talented Program Review RFP

The CC discussed the request for proposals that will be released later this month to solicit consultant(s) to conduct a program review of the K-12 Gifted & Talented program as well as the 4-5 Accelerated & Enriched Math program. It is anticipated that at the November 18 Board meeting there will be a recommendation to award a contract to the consultant(s) and that the review process will begin in December.

II. (*) Professional Development

To recommend entering into a contract with New York University Reading Recovery to provide 2014-2015 Reading Recovery professional development and technical support for ten (10) reading recovery teachers at a cost of \$9,500 plus travel.

To recommend approval for IDE to provide non-tenured teacher training at various dates throughout the 2014-2015 school year at a cost of \$13,200.

To recommend entering into an agreement with National Writing Project at Rider University to provide one full day workshop on February 19, 2015 focusing on supporting effective writing instruction connected to the Common Core State Standards in English/Language Arts for grade 9-12 at a cost of \$2,000. [Paid through 2015 No Child Left Behind Title II grant funds.]

The CC recommends that the Board approve the three professional development opportunities. IDE provides training on meeting the needs of diverse learners in the classroom as well as how to leverage technology to fully engage all students in lessons.

III. (*) Travel

To recommend authorization for the two program directors and one instructor for the STARTALK Hindi/Urdu Immersion Camp to attend the 2014 Post-Program Network for Program Excellence meeting in October 2014 (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 2014 programs. This item will appear on the board agenda once the dates and location are announced.

To recommend approval for four district administrators to attend a one-day seminar on October 9, 2014, entitled *PARCC: An In-Depth Approach Across Content Areas*, at a cost of \$149 per person plus mileage.

To recommend approval for one Social Studies teacher to attend AP U.S. History training November 6, 2014 in Robbinsville, NJ at a cost not to exceed \$215 plus mileage.

To recommend approval for one Social Studies teacher to attend AP European History training November 14, 2014 in Windsor Locks, Connecticut at a cost not to exceed \$185 plus travel.

The CC recommends approval of the travel for the 4 professional development opportunities listed above.

IV. (*) Revised 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	\$ 832.00
Childrens House of the Windsors	\$ 896.00
French American School of Princeton	\$3,328.00
Montessori Corner at Princeton Meadows	\$ 832.00
Montessori Country Day	\$ 704.00
The Wilberforce School	\$3,904.00

The CC recommends acceptance of the Nonpublic Technology Aid.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 5:30pm

Future Topics
NJASK Data
Field Trip Approvals
Special Services Program Review Update
Program of Studies