West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education



Board Curriculum Committee Meeting Central Office Conference Room October 10, 2016 7:00 PM

# **SUMMARY NOTES**

**BOE Attendance:** 

Dana Krug – Chair Anthony Fleres Yingchao Zhang Administrative Liaison: Martin Smith David Aderhold **Guests:** 

## **DISCUSSION (•) / DECISION (\*)**

#### I. (•) State Testing Report

The CC reviewed the annual testing report which will be presented at the October 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. A comparison of the 2015 PARCC results to 2016 PARCC results no significant difference except for 11<sup>th</sup> grade language arts. This is because 11<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolled in AP Language and Composition did not take the PARCC exam last year. The AP results and the SAT results continue to demonstrate high levels of achievement by the students.

#### II. (•) Review of Option ii Data

The CC reviewed the data from this past summer's Option ii course taking and examined this in relation to 2014 and 2015. Since the Board implemented changes to the Option ii policy the number of students getting a 70 or better on the equivalent WWP exam has more than doubled. The pass rate for 2016 is 63%.

#### III. (•) Research Proposals

- High School Choir: Collaborative Solfeggio Impact on Sight-Reading Choral Music Westminster Choir College
- HS Diabetes Mellitus Curriculum Pilot Rutgers University
- Secondary-Level Pre-Service Teacher Perceptions of Teacher Educators' Instruction and Modeling Practices – Rutgers University

The CC reviewed the Superintendent's recommendation to allow these research projects to take place within the district. All Institutional Review Board protocols will be followed.

#### IV. (\*) Curriculum Revisions

To recommend approval of the following new curricula:

- 1. Student Assistance Curriculum Grades 9-12
- 2. Math Grade 8 RC

To recommend approval of the following revised curricula:

- 1. Chinese Grade 6
- 2. Chinese 3
- 3. Chinese 4 Honors
- 4. Genetics
- 5. Grade 3 General Music
- 6. Grade 4 General Music
- 7. Grade 5 General Music
- 8. Grade 3 Chorus
- 9. Grade 4 Chorus
- 10. Grade 5 Chorus

The CC recommends approval of the curricula.

#### V. (\*) Donation

To recommend the acceptance of the following donation:

• One (1) Coulter Optics Odyssey Dobsonian telescope for use by the district from Mary Kuller, a resident of West Windsor and parent of former district students.

The CC recommends acceptance of the donation.

#### VI. (\*) NJ QSAC - Statement of Assurance

To recommend submission of the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District Board of Education's New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) Statement of Assurance for the 2016-2017 school year to the New Jersey Department of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.2(f).

The CC recommends submission of the SOA..

#### VII. (\*) Professional Development - Consultants

• To recommend approval for Jennifer W. Lempp to provide a one-day on-site training workshop for 4-5 teachers of mathematics entitled "Math Workshop Model" in February 2017, at a cost of \$3,000.

The CC recommends approval of the consultant.

#### VIII. (\*) Professional Development Travel Approval

To recommend reimbursement for the following professional development:

- a) 4 guidance counselors to attend the NACAC National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, at a cost not to exceed \$1,500 per person.
- b) 2 teachers to attend the National Council of Teachers Mathematics Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 1 and 2, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$300.

The CC recommends approval of the PD travel.

### IX. (\*) Field Trips

To recommend approval of the following overnight field trips:

High School North

- a. Model Congress to Washington, D.C., from November 17, 2016, to November 20, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$500 per student.
- b. Model United Nations to East Brunswick, NJ, from November 17, 2016, to November 20, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$350 per student.
- c. Junior Statesmen of America to Woodbridge, New Jersey, from November 19, 2016, to November 20, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$300 per student.
- Model Congress to Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, from December 1, 2016, to December 4, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$500 per student.
- e. Model United Nations to the Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from December 1, 2016, to December 4, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$375 per student.

- f. Model United Nations to University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from January 26, 2017, to January 29, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$375 per student.
- g. Junior Statesmen of America to Washington, D.C., from February 10, 2017 to February 12, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$400 per student.
- h. Model United Nations to Washington D.C. from February 16, 2017 to February 19, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$450 per student.
- i. Washington Seminar to Washington, D.C., from March 21, 2017, to March 25, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$775 per student.
- j. Model Congress to the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from March 30, 2017, to April 2, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$417.50 per student.
- k. Model United Nations to Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, from April 20, 2017, to April 23, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$450 per student.
- 1. Junior Statesmen of America to Woodbridge, NJ, from April 22, 2017 to April 23, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$300 per student.

High School South

- m. Model United Nations to East Brunswick, NJ, from November 17, 2016, to November 20, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$350 per student.
- n. Model United Nations to the Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from December 1, 2016, to December 4, 2016. The cost of the trip is approximately \$375 per student.
- o. Model United Nations to Washington D.C. from February 16, 2017 to February 19, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$450 per student.
- p. Model United Nations to George Washington University, Washington, D.C., from March 2, 2017, to March 5, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$425 per student.
- q. Model United Nations to Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, from April 20, 2017, to April 23, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$450 per student.

### Athletics

r. High School South Cheerleaders to UCA National Cheer Competition in Orlando, Florida, from February 9, 2017 to February 13, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$975 per student.

The CC recommends approval of the field trips. All field trips are paid for by the students.

### Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 7:00pm

<u>Future Topics</u> Program of Studies