



**West Windsor-Plainsboro Board of Education**  
Board Curriculum Committee Meeting  
Board Office Conference Room  
May 16, 2017 7:00 PM

**SUMMARY NOTES**

**BOE Attendance:**

Dana Krug – Chair  
Anthony Fleres  
Yingchao Zhang

**Administrative Liaison:**

Martin Smith  
David Aderhold

**Guests:**

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**DISCUSSION (●) / DECISION (\*)**

**I. (●) Strategic Plan Action Plan Review**

The CC reviewed the three action plans associated with each goal adopted by the Board in March. There will be a formal presentation of these to the Board at the May 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting.

**II. (●) HS Assessments: Grade distribution comparison 14-15 vs. 15-16**

The CC reviewed the final grade distributions for each department at HSN and HSS for 14-15 (when there were mid-term and final exams given) and the 15-16 (when no min-terms and finals were given) school years. There was little difference between the two years with only some slight increases in final grades in the 15-16 school year from the previous year.

**III. (●) 2016-2017 Professional Development and Curriculum Hours**

Necessary hours for professional development, testing, and curriculum articulation were posted in April/May and appointments will be placed on future personnel agendas.

**IV. (●) Research Projects**

- **McDonald, Lee**-“Student, Parent and Teacher Expectations: A Study of the Impact of Academic Stress on Student Achievement.”
- **Bugge, Danielle**- “PUM (Physics Union Mathematics) Exploration”
- **Patterson, Jill**- “Gender Inequalities in Advanced Science Courses”

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.

**V. (●) Summer Reading Lists**

The CC reviewed the web-site that is being designed for the summer reading program.

**VI. (\*) New Textbook Adoption**

To recommend adoption of the following textbook for the Advanced Algebra 2 CP and Honors courses:

- Big Ideas Math-Algebra 2, by Bosell, L. and Larson, R.

The CC recommends adoption of the textbook.

**VII. (\*) Donation**

To recommend the acceptance of the following donations:

- A monetary donation in the amount of \$500 from Maurice O Onyuka, a parent of district students, and a matching donation of \$500 from YourCause, LLC, trustee for New York Life, for the High School North Band.
- A monetary donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Maurice O Onyuka, a parent of district students, and a matching donation of \$1,000 from YourCause, LLC, trustee for New York Life, for general use by High School North.
- One (1) used Yamaha Bass Clarinet PL3 YCL 221 from Anu Venkat and Jag Sunderram, parents of a district student, for use by the district.

The CC recommends acceptance of the donations.

**VIII. (\*) Disposal of Instructional Materials**

To approve the disposal of the following obsolete items in accordance with R7300.1:

- 1,254 books from the High School South Media Center

All items meet the below criteria:

- i. Are so outdated they no longer serve as worthy instructional tools.

The CC recommends disposal of the materials.

**IX. (\*) Cable TV Interlocal Services**

- To authorize the fifth year of a five-year Shared Services Agreement between West Windsor Township and the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District for cable television originally approved May 14, 2013.
- To authorize the fifth year of a five-year Interlocal Services Agreement between Plainsboro Township and the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District for cable television originally approved May 14, 2013.

The CC recommends approval of the agreements.

**X. (\*) Middlesex County Regional Educational Services Commission Non-public services**

To authorize the third year of a five-year agreement with Middlesex County Regional Education Services Commission, to provide administration of non-public funds for non-public school students within the district in accordance with the State Board of Education guidelines as required:

- 192/193 services for non-public instructional services to non-public school students within the district in accordance with the State Board of Education guidelines under Public Law 1977, Chapters 192/193 (N.J.S.A. 18A:46-1 to 17 and N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.1 to 19.9).
- Non-public nursing services in accordance with the New Jersey Nonpublic Nursing Law guidelines under Public Law 1991, Chapter 226.
- Nonpublic Technology Initiative Program, pursuant to the requirements of the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program

- Non-public Textbook services in accordance with the requirement of the New Jersey Textbook Law, NJSA 18A:58-37.1 et seq.
- Non-public Title III and Title III Immigrant funds administration, pursuant to the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001
- Non-public Security Aid Program funds administration, pursuant to the requirements of the New Jersey Nonpublic Security Aid Program.
- Nonpublic IDEA-B funds administration, in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part B (IDEA-B).

The CC recommends approval of the agreements.

**XI. (\*) Non-public Technology Expenditure**

To recommend approval for expenditures of the FY 2017 NJ Nonpublic School Technology Initiative as follows:

Montessori Country Day School	\$ 236.99
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The CC recommends approval of the expenditures.

**XII. (\*) Technology**

- To approve a one-year agreement with Frontline Technology Group (formerly Teachscape) to provide end-user licensing for Danielson Framework evaluation training and certification for 5 district administrators, from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, for a total cost of \$1,245.
- To approve a one-year agreement with Exemplars Library to provide online resources for district-wide K-5 math instruction from June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018 at a cost of \$9,237.80.
- To approve a one-year agreement with Swivl to provide 40 Pro Team Member licenses from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, at a total cost of \$2,000.00.
- To approve a one-year agreement with West Interactive Services Corporation to provide SharpSchool Web Hosting Services for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$5,562.00.

The CC recommends approval of the agreements.

**XIII. (\*) Travel Approval**

To recommend approval for the following teacher travel:

- To support 2 advisors to accompany the Middle School and High School students to National History Day at the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland, from June 11, 2017 through June 15, 2017. The cost of the trip is not to exceed \$1,122 per teacher.
- To support 3 advisors to accompany the Middle School and High School students to the Future Problem Solvers International Competition at the University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse in Lacrosse, Wisconsin, from June 7, 2017 through June 11, 2017. The cost of the trip is not to exceed \$1,428 per teacher.

The CC recommends approval of the travel.

#### **XIV. (\*) Professional Development**

To recommend approval for the following professional development:

- 4 teachers to attend the Quest 2017 Scholars Program offered through Princeton University TeacherPrep, at Princeton University from July 10, 2017, through July 14, 2017 at a total cost not to exceed \$300 per person, no travel included.
- 1 Economics teacher to attend an AP Economics Summer Institute at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from June 26, 2017, through June 29, 2017 at a cost of \$1,025 plus mileage.
- 1 Math teacher to attend an AP Calculus AB Summer Institute at Middlesex County College, Edison, New Jersey, from July 31, 2017, through August 3, 2017 at a cost of \$900 plus mileage.
- 1 Science teacher to attend an AP Chemistry Summer Institute at Middlesex County College, Edison, New Jersey, from August 7, 2017, through August 10, 2017 at a cost of \$900 plus mileage.
- 1 Language Arts teacher to attend an AP English Literature and Composition Summer Institute at Middlesex County College, Edison, NJ from July 31, 2017 through August 3, 2017, at a cost of \$900 plus mileage.
- 1 Language Arts teacher to attend an AP English Language Summer Institute at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from July 11, 2017 through July 14, 2017, at a cost of \$1,025 plus mileage.
- 1 World Language teacher to attend an AP Spanish Language and Culture Summer Institute at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from August 7, 2017 to August 10, 2017, at a cost of \$1,025 plus mileage.
- 1 Special Education teacher to attend one week of Orton Gillingham Teacher Training at the Bridge Academy in Lawrenceville, New Jersey on July 10-14, 2017, at a cost of \$600 plus mileage.

The CC recommends approval of the professional development opportunities.

#### **XV. (\*) Startalk Grant Hindi/Urdu Summer Program**

To approve the following consultants to provide services in relation to, and funded by, the 2017-18 Startalk Hindi/Urdu Summer Program:

Rajni Bhargava – Co-Director

Nusrat Sohail – Co-Director

Sangeeta Jain, Mamta Puri, Rashmi Sudhir, Farhana Omairzai, Hajrah Butt, Razia Hassan – Instructors and Online Instructors

Shanti Jain, Farzana Haqqi, Sabeeha Ahmad – Teaching Assistants and Online Instructors

Parnika Puri, Talia Khan – Junior Teaching Assistants

Julie Myers – Coordinator

Roseann Zeppieri – Consultant/PD Trainer

Milind Ranade – Technology Expert

The CC recommends approval of the consultants.

## **XVI. (\*) Field Trips**

To recommend approval of the following overnight field trips:

### High School South

- High School South Senior Class Trip to Disney World, Orlando, Florida, from March 8, 2018, to March 12, 2018. The cost of the trip is approximately \$1,475 per student.

### Athletics

- High School North Cheerleaders to the Pine Forest Cheer Camp in Greeley, PA from August 21, 2017, to August 24, 2017. The cost of the trip is approximately \$260 per student.

The CC recommends approval of the field trips.

Next Meeting Date: June 13, 2017

### Future Topics

Strategic Action Plans

Dual Language Immersion