Cheshire Public Schools



Board of Education Curriculum Committee

Monday, April 18, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Faith Ham (Chair) and Anne Harrigan

<u>Cheshire Public Schools Staff Present:</u> Marlene Silano, Assistant Superintendent; Kevin Hanlon, K-8

Curriculum Coordinator; Dr. Mary Gadd, Principal - Cheshire High School (CHS); Dr. Maureen Reed, Assistant Principal -

CHS;

Community Members Present:

None

1. Public Comment

No public comment via cpscovid19@cheshire.k12.ct.us email nor any in-person public comment.

2. Review Minutes of March 14, 2022 Meeting

Ms. Harrigan made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2022 Board of Education Curriculum Committee meeting. Ms. Ham seconded the motion. Ms. Ham and Ms. Harrigan voted to approve the minutes of March 14, 2022. The motion passed.

3. Informational Items

a. 2022 SBAC & NGSS Parent Communication

Ms. Silano reviewed the 2022 Smarter Balanced (SBA) and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) assessment parent communication sent to families in the beginning of April. The state assessments begin at Dodd Middle School next week with the NGSS assessment, continue during the first two weeks of May with Math and ELA in grades 3-8 and conclude toward the end of May with NGSS at grade 11. Ms. Silano also shared that the assessment information is used to identify strengths and needs from a curriculum and instruction standpoint as well as understand student growth in performance from year to year.

4. Old Business

a. Review language for the reconsideration of library books/classroom resources and recommendation to Policy Committee

Ms. Silano presented a draft policy language concerning the reconsideration of instructional resources for the Board of Education Curriculum Committee to review. The policy draft is largely based on the Connecticut Association of School Boards (CABE) model policy and similar policies from other local districts. It is recommended this policy be included in the 6000 series (Instruction) of the Board of Education Policy Manual.

Ms. Ham made a motion to forward the draft Reconsideration of Instructional Materials policy to the Board of Education Policy Committee for review. Ms. Harrigan seconded the motion. Ms. Ham and Ms. Harrigan voted to forward the draft policy to the Policy Committee. The motion passed.

5. Adjourn

Ms. Harrigan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Ham seconded the motion. Ms. Ham and Ms. Harrigan voted to adjourn the meeting and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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