



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Curriculum Committee Meeting AT Tuesday, April 24, 2012

Bloomfield Board of Education 1133 Blue Hills Avenue Board Room, 1133 Blue Hills Avenue ,
Bloomfield, CT 06002

1. Call to Order
2. Consent Agenda
 - A. Review of Curriculum Committee Minutes: January 24, 2012 2
3. New Business
 - A. District Accountability Plan
4. Adjournment

BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 7:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Board of Education
1133 Blue Hills Avenue
Board Room

PRESENT: M. R. Walters, Chair
R. Ike
M. Williams

ALSO PRESENT: D. Harris L. Mara E. Stoltz
J. Thompson S. True

1. CALL TO ORDER

M. R. Walters, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:30. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

2. NEW BUSINESS

E. Stoltz distributed a package to the committee members with documents related to Curriculum and Instruction Policies, Core State Standards (dated 11/29/2010) and a Protocol for Community Requests.

2. A. Review of Current Board of Education Curriculum and Instruction Policies

Committee members should review the documents for discussion at the next meeting. Some of the current documents are 12 years old. Special needs inclusion should be discussed.

2. B. Curriculum Revision Cycle and Common Core State Standards

E. Stoltz highlighted the current revision cycles, district direction and stating the focus on Language Arts and Math. The framework is based on 2010 material with the new curriculum for 2012. New textbooks have not been included in the budget because of the new standard and curriculum alignment with common core standards. Safe School will be imbedded into the new curriculum. The committee highlighted that parents should be able to understand and monitor by grade level. Report cards will be updated to reflect and align with the new curriculum. The PTO and parents will be informed about the expectations of each grade. It is important to facilitate the communication between the district, schools and parents. There will be a “Parent Curriculum Night” at a PTO meeting early in the school year and the parents will have advanced notice.

2. C. Consideration Protocol for Community Requests

The committee will create policies that will be mindful of community desires. Current requests include golf at the Carmen Arace level and creation vs. evolution within the curriculum.

2. D. Draft Next Agenda for February Meeting

Attendees' suggestions for the next agenda included:

- Discussing a common goal for crafting next steps as a committee.
- Discuss the relationship between the committees, new administration and Board of Education.
- E. Stoltz proposed that the committee should preview what is going to be presented to the Board of Education.
- Discuss what should be included in this committee.
- Common Core Standards will be rolled out at the next meeting.
- Converting to electronic textbooks is complicated, but being looked into.

Any current issues should be sent to M. R. Walters.

3. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:16 p.m., a motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by M. Williams to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

M. R. Walters, Chair