



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Curriculum Committee Meeting AT Tuesday, April 23, 2019

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

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order  
M. Walters
2. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of Minutes - Curriculum Committee Meeting - March 26, 2019 2  
M. Walters
3. Presentations
  - A. English Learners LAS Links Results  
A.M. Cullinan
4. Old Business
  - A. STEPS Update  
A.M. Cullinan and W. Shepard-Bannish
5. Adjournment  
M. Walters



**BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Bloomfield Board of Education

1133 Blue Hills Avenue

Board Room

**ATTENDANCE:** M. Walters, Chair Present  
R. Ike Present  
D. Bolton Present

**ALSO PRESENT:** J. Thompson W. Guzman S. McCann  
B. Silver S. Simpson E. Pierce  
D. Harris T. Moore P. Davis  
C. Edwards, Intern

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

M. Walters called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

**2. A. Approval of Minutes – Curriculum Committee – January 22, 2019**

A motion was made by D. Bolton and seconded by R. Ike for the Curriculum Committee to approve the minutes from January 22, 2019 regular committee meeting, as presented.

The motion was passed unanimously.

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**3. A. Connecticut’s Next Generation Accountability System Report**

Dr. Bethany Silver, Assistant Superintendent of Accountability and Performance shared information with the Curriculum Committee from the Next Generation Accountability report released by the State Department of Education. This report was officially released in February of 2019 and is based on data from 2017-2018.

Dr. Silver reviewed the information for each indicator (1a-12) including Bloomfield’s index rate and points earned. The overall accountability index for Bloomfield was a 75 which is higher than the state average of 74.9.

Dr. Silver also review a chart comparing the 2016-2017 accountability results to the 2017-2018 results by school.

D. Bolton noted indicator 6: Preparation for College and Career – Percent Passing Exams as a low indicator. She inquired how many students are taking AP courses. Dr. Silver stated she will provide this information at the next meeting. Also, Dr. Silver noted indicator #5, Preparation for College and Career – Percent Taking Courses can include AP courses as well as college courses attended by students.



P. Davis inquired how the term high needs students is defined. Dr. Silver shared the State Department of Education defines high needs students as those qualifying for free/reduced price meals, English Learners and student receiving Special Education services. It was further noted it is a means of identification by the state to measure gaps.

P. Davis requested information about how it is decided which AP Courses at the high school will be offered. Ms. McCann explained that the teachers attend AP Training programs in order to be qualified to teach AP courses. They use trend data to determine which courses would be most appropriate to offer. Information regarding what AP courses are provided at the high school will be shared at a future meeting.

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:49 p.m., a motion was made by D. Bolton and seconded by R. Ike to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

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M. Walters, Chair