

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 20, 2023, 8pm

Boardroom

The Curriculum Committee met in the boardroom for a public meeting on March 20, 2023. The meeting started at 8:05pm as scheduled.

Committee Chair: Shannon Kuchak

Committee Members in Attendance: Joe Ross, Tracy Wescott, Jaclyn Litwin, Amie Talarico, Brian Kearney, and Mark Murphy.

Public in Attendance: Joe Strauch and Lauren McNamara.

Committee discussed the following:

- LTEC 2023-2024 Curriculum Guide Proposed Revisions: Update cover and board of directors information; Homework: Remove loss of recess as a punishment for not completing homework; FOCUS Student Information System; SWPBIS: Description and Lessons; Proposed Technology Course; College and Career Portfolio: Smart Futures; Library: Review description of Library Curriculum
- LTHS 2023-2024 Junior High Course Description Guide Proposed Revisions: Honors & Non Honors Coursework Information: Prerequisites for Honors Coursework; ELA: Summer Reading, Inclusion of Text-dependent analysis, grammar and vocabulary; Math: Specifies the math “track” students are on from JH to SH; Schedule Change Request Information: Placements are made based on student achievement and Parent Requests are not accepted; MMS Focus Information; JH PBIS Description; 7th & 8th Grade Course Selection Tables: Updated Band/Choir electives; College & Career Portfolio: Smart Futures
- LTHS 2023-2024 Senior High Course Description Guide Proposed Revisions: Updated Graduation Requirements: ACT 158 - Graduation Pathways and College and Career Portfolio Requirements; ELA Course Descriptions, 9-12; Added Courses/Electives: PIAA Officiating, 3D Printing, Astronomy, Calc II (Independent Study); News and Current Events: Revised from ½ credit, to ½ OR 1 credit; Career / Post Secondary Planning Timeline; Schedule Change Requests; Independent Study Requirements; MMS Focus Information
- Pending Textbook Adoptions: Wilson Foundations, K-2; Big Ideas Math & You, K-ALG I; Practical Research Planning and Design, AP Research; Teen Health/Glencoe Health digital teacher resources, 7-12; American Politics Today

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and Princeton Review AP U.S. Government & Politics Premium Prep, AP U.S. Government; Century 21 Accounting MultiColumn JOurnal, Accounting; Glencoe Physics Principles and Problems, Physics; Hole's Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology, Anatomy

- Supplemental Programming:
 - SEL Programs: Navigate 360, K-12; PATHS/EMOZI, K-6; School Connect, 7-12
 - Bullying Prevention Programs: Various bullying prevention programs offered through the Victim's Resource Center were discussed.
 - Prevention Programs: Tobacco and alcohol prevention programs through the Lackawanna/Susquehanna County Office of Drug and Alcohol Programs (Catch My Breath and Too Good for Drugs) were discussed as well as a web-based tobacco prevention program offered through Stanford Medicine.
- Timeline:
 - April 3rd -10th: Public Review of Textbooks
 - April 10th: Course Description Guide Approval
 - May 8th: Adoption of Proposed Textbooks
 - May/June: Order New Textbooks
- The slideshow with hyperlinks to all textbooks and supplemental programs discussed will be shared with the public on the district website.

