

Teaching and Learning Meeting Minutes
January 31, 2019
Stonington High School Library Classroom
5:30-6:30 p.m.

In attendance: D. Downie, A. Garvey, M. Butler, and J. Bausch
Late Arrival: C. Anderson - 5:40 p.m.
Absent: J. Morehouse

Call to Order: D. Downie at 5:32 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes from December 6, 2018

Motion by: D. Downie and 2nd by A. Garvey to approve minutes from December 6, 2018.

Science Curriculum 3-5

J. Bausch overviewed of grade 3-5 of NGSS and companion curriculum documents including Curriculum Guides. The Mystery Science (K-5) resource and its place in the elementary curriculum was showcased. As an example of the development work completed the Grade 4, Unit 2 on Waves was deconstructed, and each component explained. Within the curriculums an emphasis was placed on the use of phenomenon, student driven questioning practices, and the Claim, Evidence, and Reasoning protocol. The use of the NGSS Interim Assessments was shared as teachers are currently using these as instructional tools. Recommended to move to the next BOE meeting for first read.

Introduction to Piano

The high school elective is structured to support beginning piano players as well as more experienced players. Reference to the Connecticut Arts Standards and the components of the unit discussed. Content includes body mechanics/form as well as playing the instrument from notes to scales to chords. The 4 C assignments is Consider and students choose a particular piece, perform, and give feedback to each other. Recommended to move to the next BOE meeting for first read.

Dispute Resolution Language

Suggested dispute resolution language previously reviewed and agreed upon by the Professional Development and Evaluation Committee (PDEC) was shared and the language supported by the committee.

Board Vision and Goals

The Accountability Report has not been released. A presentation will be made to the committee upon release with an invitation to the full Board to attend. M. Friese will be reporting future programming changes at SHS at a meeting in the near future.

Adjourn at 6:20 p.m.

Motion made by: C. Anderson and 2nd by D. Downie

Mary Anne Butler, Assistant Superintendent

