

**AMITY REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING
DISTRICT PRESENTATION ROOM
April 17, 2007**

Minutes

Members in attendance: Rita Gedansky, Kit Collier, Tom Hurley, Joe Abbatiello, Dr. John Brady Deborah Farber, Sheila Wycinowski

Guests: Frank Barretta, Marie Mastandrea

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Rita Gedansky.

The Curriculum Committee on April 17, 2007 covered two major topics:

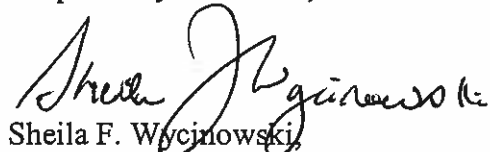
1. **SmartBoard** - Frank Barretta, Math Teacher Amity High School led a demonstration of the use of the SmartBoard in the Math classroom. He mentioned many of the teachers in the Math Department are using the SmartBoard as part of their classroom instruction. It is the district's intent that the use of SmartBoards will expand beyond the Math Department. Teachers district-wide in science, world language, and social studies are currently using SmartBoards as a tool embedded in instruction.

We currently have SmartBoards in each building math, science, social studies teachers using it in the district. Frank Barretta and our Middle School technology teachers run professional development training modules for all of our staff.

2. **Online Text Pre-Calculus** – Marie Mastandrea Department Head for Math at Amity Senior High School discussed the piloting of the online textbook for Pre-Calculus. The department has purchased one set of Pre-Calculus texts and students may use them if necessary if they don't have access to online services. The online version is the full text offering students homework, independent practices and quizzes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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