

Curriculum Advisory Committee Meeting

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| Meeting Date: | Dec-21-2020 |
| Meeting Start/EndTime: | 4 pm |
| Meeting Location: | Zoom Meeting |
| Members Present: | Mark Winter, Karla Winter, Keri Cada, Teri Reuter, Amy Uribe, Tonya Van Tol, Mark Anderson, Grace Rystad, Tammy Brians, Nancy Denzer, Scott Halverson, Emilly Cassellius, Pete Watkins, Karin Worthley, Jackie Stevens, Jenifer Clemons, Carolyn Lutz, Annette Freiheit, Nikki Kimmerle |
| Other Attendees: | Alexandra Retter |
| Members Absent: | Jennifer Al-Saeed |



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| <p><i>Our Vision:</i> One community of lifelong learners, engaged in creating our culture, where all are safe, valued and accountable to one another for success.</p> | <p><i>Our Mission:</i> Expect excellence, grounded in compassion, to meet the needs of all learners.</p> |
| <p><i>Strategic Directions: Strategies to Achieve Our Vision</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Expecting high achievement for all students by improving our practices and building positive relationships B. Understanding and meeting everyone's social-emotional, mental health, and cultural competency needs C. Operating with and communicating clear expectations, support, and accountability D. Implementing safe and secured schools and environments E. Engaging and partnering with parents, families and community F. Securing and managing all of our resources: people, money, facilities, time | <p><i>Core Values:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellence: Be my best and expect the best of others Kindness: Concern, compassion, and advocacy for others Respect: Acceptance of self and others as we work together Honesty: Say and do the right thing, even if no one is watching Responsibility: Do my part and be accountable for what I say and do |
| <p><i>Committee Purpose and Collective Commitments:</i></p> | |

| Agenda Item: | Type: (Procedural, Information, Briefing, Action) | Discussion/Action: (Minutes) | Person Responsible: (Reports to Superintendent) |
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| Call to Order | Procedural | | |
| Approval of Nov Minutes | Action | ➤ <i>November minutes got approved by members unanimously.</i> | |
| Committee Membership | Information | Welcome new members and quick introduction | |
| WBWF | Information | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Karla shared that the board approved the WBWF plan. ➤ With community feedback, following changes have made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Creation and use of Ecomap, a family assessment tool that represents a family and the relationship to the environment. ○ Graduation goals. ○ Special education teachers will be trained and implement standards-based goals and the use of high leverage teaching practices. | |
| Guidelines/Procedures | Action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Look over new document and vote to approve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moved to the next meeting | |
| Course Approval | Action | <p>WSHS:Mark presented WSHS course proposals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nancy expressed her concern of adopting textbooks and she’s looking for a formal curriculum adoption process. She also expressed her concern of how to ensure students have accessibility to learning materials. ● Mark said the new textbooks will be discussed and investigated again with the department teachers: question of adopting textbooks, ● Amy expressed her concern about the name of the | |

course - International Cuisine, she explained that multicultural content needs to be taught in an integrated way instead of separating it from the mainstream culture. Teachers need to be mindful when teaching multicultural education, need to pay attention to how to frame the course, description, etc. Karin agreed with Amy and mentioned that we should not stereotype food or ethnicities.

➤ *Motion by Scott Halvorsen, second by Karin Worthley to approve all WSHS course proposals. Motion Carries.*

- Members had a long discussion of the name of the food course and believed that change of the name to the Foods of the World, or something similar to that , would be appropriate. Members also shared their thoughts on the names and thought the school board should have a discussion about the name as well. Mark would reach out to Sherley Hanson and bring back the title change to the committee before going to the board.

➤ *Motion by Scott Halverson, seconded by Pete Watkins to approve all the courses without the International Cuisine, International Cuisine should go to the board with a discussion and rename. Motion carries.*

WMS:Mark Winter presented the WMS course proposals

- Mark explained this way will allow students take more fine arts and explore in more areas. Pete Watkins wondered if the \$500 cost was a standard, Karla explained that it's based on \$25 per hour for 20 hours.
- Members had a long discussion of these courses. Music courses need to have a name change. Members also worried that the schedule for level 1 world language courses would spread out the delivery of the curriculum over three school years and prevent the students from successfully learning the language and developing proficiency. Content areas of the curriculum in WMS

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| | | <p>and WSHS should be more consistent so students can get credits at each proficiency level. For the history class, members expressed that teachers should be very careful of how this class is framed and how it would be taught.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Members agreed that the following courses need to change the name: World Music and Humanities. Amy will email out to members with new names when they are available and members can vote online. ● Mark also explained that 7 time periods were developed and selected with a committee of 15 WMS staff, they investigated several models and discussed it with teaching staff in PLC and SD meetings, WMS also did a staff survey, 85% of the staff preferred 7 time periods a day. ➤ Motion by Scott Halverson to pass on all other course proposals except Humanities, World Music, History of the World: Through Conquest and Military Action, and two world language courses, Karin Worthley seconded it. Motion carries. ➤ Motion by Amy Uribe, Seconded by Tonja Van Tol to approve humanities/world music/ Conquest with a name change. The motion was later withdrawn as the committee did not have enough information about the intent of the course. There was concern that multiple perspectives surrounding the conquests need to be provided and potential curriculum was unknown. The committee chose to take no action regarding this course and Mark Winter will gather additional information for the board. | |
| Committee Focus | Action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sharroky Hollie overview video ● Additional video ● Glossary of Terms ● PPT created for teachers PLCs on ch 1 and 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moved to the next meeting | |

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| Adjournment | Procedural | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm | |
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