



# Roseburg Public Schools

Roseburg, Oregon

**Curriculum & Instruction Committee**

**11:30 AM**

**February 3, 2021**

<u>  </u> X	Micki Hall, Chair	<u>  </u>	Jared Cordon
<u>  </u> X	Steve Patterson	<u>  </u> X	Michelle Knee
<u>  </u> X	Rebecca Larson		
<u>  </u>	Charles Lee, Alternate		

Summary of the Curriculum and Instruction Committee meeting held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom. Directors Hall, Larson and Patterson were present. The District Office Administrator present was Assistant Superintendent Michelle Knee. Guests included: Jill Weber, Roseburg High School Principal and Adam Blue, Roseburg High School Assistant Principal.

**Call to Order:** Director Hall called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m.

## **2021-2022 New Courses**

Assistant Principal, Adam Blue shared that beginning with the 2021-22 school year, the high school will be offering three new courses in the CTE realm, two in Agriculture & Natural Resources and one in Automotive Technology. The agriculture courses will both be independent study online courses with oversight by an RHS instructor.

The first course Agriculture Business & Management will be worth half credit and will provide participants with the knowledge to run an agriculture business, including developing business and marketing plans, risk management skills and financial documents. This course will be considered an upper-level course and eligible for dual credit at OSU, the number of credits is still to be determined.

Director Hall asked Mr. Blue if there are prerequisites or instructor approval required. Per Assistant Principal Blue, students are required to take the following courses prior to enrolling in this class: Agriculture 1 & 2, Biology and Chemistry. Director Patterson inquired as to whether or not this course is being taught by an existing staff person. Mr. Blue acknowledged that Angela Chenowith will be the instructor of this course.

The next course on the agenda for discussion was Agricultural Leadership. In the same manner as the previously mentioned course, this course will also be an online course with instructor oversight, eligible for dual credit through Oregon State University. The course will be a one credit course to be enrolled in over two semesters. The premise of this course is for students interested in developing leadership skills with the purpose of careers such as education, forestry, veterinary sciences and agricultural law. The requirement for this class will be Agriculture 1 & 2, as well as instructor approval.

Director Patterson inquired how the addition of two courses is going to be handled with only one instructor. Assistant Principal Blue explained that due to the fact that these courses are self-guided courses with instructor oversight, they can be handled at the same time as the instructor is teaching

other courses. As well, Director Patterson asked if the classes are to be done during regular school hours or if students will be expected to participate after hours. Principal Weber explained that these are independent study courses that will be held during a student's independent study period during the day.

Director Hall inquired about the dual credit status and Principal Weber explained that she and Assistant Principal Blue are working on this, but wanted to receive approval for the courses before proceeding.

The final course being presented to the committee is part of the automotive technology department to be conducted by Mr. Donald Zell; Equipment and Diesel Technology. The prerequisites for this course include Automotive Instruction 1 & 2 or instructor approval. In this course, students will learn the basics of working on diesel equipment including preventative maintenance tasks. Students taking this course will be eligible for dual credit through Lane Community College (LCC), as UCC is sunsetting their automotive education program. A representative from LCC has approved RHS' facilities and they will be providing some of the required equipment to assist with getting the course going. Additionally, local businesses including Knife River, the local Ford dealership and A & M trucking have all thrown their support towards the addition of this option to the automotive technology program as there is a need for more diesel mechanics in the area.

Director Patterson inquired about the funding for this new course. Assistant Superintendent Knee let it be known that this is an area where our available Measure 98 funds can be used.

Following a full discussion of each of the courses, the committee makes the recommendation to submit them for adoption, to the Board.

In closing Director Hall asked Principal Weber and Assistant Principal Blue to pass along kudos to the instructors for going the extra mile to rebuild these programs. As well, Director Larson appreciates that they are building depth in the program to increase student competency.

Assistant Principal Blue noted that all of these programs are part of the Pathways Program. Principal Weber announced that in the Fall, the high school will be resuming the Psychology program as there is now a teacher who is available to teach the course.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m. The next meeting for this committee is to be determined.

**Prepared by:**  
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