

**GROTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING  
July 14, 2021 @ 4:00 p.m. Central Office, Room 11**

**Members Present:** Andrea Ackerman, Jane Giulini, Liz Porter

**Also Present:** Susan Austin, Philip Piazza, Peter Bass, Leslie Forbes

Ackerman called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

1. Review of Minutes:

**MOTION: Giulini, Porter approve the minutes of June 14, 2021  
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. Old Business

Discussion on Middle school electives and new courses. Initial concerns that the curriculum is in place for the year.

**GMS Summer 2021 Priority Curriculum Work**

(Necessitated by New School / New Schedule / MSAP Grant / MYP)

**Physical Education**

1. Strength and Balance 7 – 7th grade (this will be coupled with a quarter of Health 7)
2. Fitness 8 – 8th grade (this will be coupled with a quarter of Health 8)
3. Update Dance from a quarter to a semester

**Study Skills – MYP**

1. ATL Skills 6 – Grade 6
2. Calm the Chaos 7 – Grade 7
3. Strive for Success 8 – Grade 8

**Music**

1. World Drumming – Grades 7 & 8
2. Guitar – Grades 7 & 8
3. Music Technology – Grades 7 & 8

**STEM / Computer Science**

1. Multimedia 2

**Art**

1. Update current curriculum based upon National Standards

3. New Business

No new business.

4. Adjournment

The meeting ended at 4:47 p.m.