Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting
February 28, 2013 @3:30 pm
Central Office

Attendance: Anne-Marie Siroonian, Jay O'Hara, Laura Scena.
Administration present: Susan Quick
Others Present: Kristyn Alexander, Erica Amaral, Anne-Marie Strode, Erin Halperin

1. Minutes approved anonymously

2. Review of the Goals

First 4 goals have been met

Will continue with, “Leadership models a strong learning environment (data, assessment, interventions, support, communication, collaboration, access, scheduling)

Heather DiPaolo will access recycling

How do we want to incorporate Habit of Minds into the curriculum and what is already existing in our curriculum?

3. Title 1 Update
Title 1 services continue to be at PES and BMS are moving nicely
Bournedale teachers are using Symphony Math, Lexia and Read Naturally Lab, along with a volunteer. Reading naturally has continued to be successful. The program is able to demonstrate progress monitoring at risk kids.
Training will be occurring with John from Symphony Math, to utilize the maximal use and efficiencies.

The math teacher in Title 1 (Julie Thompson) is currently shared between Peebles and BMS. Scheduling has been difficult due to the different schedules. She is primarily meeting with students at the BMS, working trying to get her into Peebles more.
Title 1 and 2a will be directly effective by the sequestered budget at the federal level.

4. BHS program of studies
Reviewed the attached copy of the revised BHS 2013-2014 Program of Studies. The Curriculum Sub-Committee recommends this program of studies that will be presented to the full School Committee.

5. March In-service
8 am opening remarks by SC
8:45-11:15 CD teams meeting differentiating
Social Studies and ELA meeting together in Humanities

2 teachers in each elementary level go to each subject
Fine Arts meeting together
Foreign Language working together
After lunch teacher lead workshops

6. Tablet update
The initial expectation to use the tablets and build throughout the team, however there has been inconsistent use. Moving forward, the thoughts are looking towards a common policy for bring your own device.

7. MEERT
At this time, it is not moving forward

8. Elementary Writing
Elementary Proposal: Writing is Fundamental
Curriculum recommending and support of the elementary proposal for a writing course to the full School Committee at the March School Committee.

9. Future of CD teams:
RTT funding is going away
Will start to integrate into all teaching
Opening Atlas to teachers in March

Future Agenda:
Goal Setting
District Software update
Program of Studies at BMS
Ed Eval green book
Gateway
Review of March In-Service Feedback

Next meeting date: March 21, 2013 at 3:30 pm at the Administration Building