Bourne School Committee
Curriculum Sub Committee
March 15, 2012
Peebles Elementary

Members Present: Jay O'Hara, Anne-Marie Siroonian, Laura Scena

Minutes accepted as presented.

Review PSAT Scores: alarming concern for the district results as compared to state level. Although we are ahead of the nation, only 40% of the test takers are considered college ready. Some of the questions raised were: Is this a systemic issue? Are there consistent weak areas amongst all test takers? Is part of the reason for low scoring a result of not having the necessary skill base to take a standardized test of this nature? What does our "college ready" student look like?
March 16th In-Service Agenda: reviewed the Enduring Understandings and Essential Questions. Will review feedback from the day at the April meeting.
Transition Team Update: Both the 5/6 and 8/9 teams have been collecting data and will now compile that data and plan for next steps. Parent survey responses were very low.
Literacy Work: The high school is focussing on the DLAP. The Middle School is focusing on the Program of Studies. The committee would like to have more information on how the High School is progressing with the DLAP. Have there been any stumbling blocks? How is the DLAP being assessed or evaluated? Would it be possible to have Mr. Dow or Mr. Geist at the next meeting? Jay will reach out to the High School.

Future Agenda Items:
Review of Minutes
Feedback from March 16th Professional Development
Transition Team Update: alternatives for "step up day"
DLAP at BHS: How is it progressing?
Discussion of Plan for a Full Day K (5min)

Next meeting: April 26, 2012 - 9am at BHS