## Waunakee Community School District BOE-Curriculum Committee

## Meeting Agenda Date: September 28, 2011 Time: 3:30 P.M.

**District Administration Center-905 Bethel Circle** 

BOE Members: Julie Waner, Joan Ensign, Karla Homan

- 1. Call to order-Chair Julie Waner called the meeting to order at 3:33pm.
- 2. Public input on agenda items-None.
- 3. 4K Update-Amy Johnson provided an update on 4K. We have 219 students in 17 sections. There are 12 4K teachers (some are teaching both AM and PM sessions. 76 students are being bused. Everything is going well and 4K staff had their first staff development activity on the September 16 early release day.
- 4. Program Evaluation-Art-Sophie Wagner-Marx and Melanie Trainor-Burton presented the Art department's self-study document. They highlighted the study's key questions and the data gathering process. The onsite audit will occur in November and the dates will be finalized soon.
- 5. AP Participation-Tim Schell reviewed information on the last five years of AP exam participation, the percentage of students in 2010-2011 AP courses who took the exam, and some comparative data from other districts. We do not stress an expectation that students in AP courses must take the exam, since the exam is at the family's expense. Next steps in studying this topic will involve getting input from students, either via a survey or focus group, and making the online item analysis reports available to our AP teachers.
- 6. 2011 Senior Exit Survey-Tim shared the results of the 2011 Senior Exit Survey. Overall, the results were positive and similar to the 2010 survey. This was the class most affected by the math program transition and there was some negative feedback from some students who were not able to reach pre-Calculus. Over the next two years, we should expect more positive comments in the math area.
- 7. Future Calendars-Randy Guttenberg shared that he is hoping to set the calendar for the next two years in the next few months. For three years

from now, we would like to explore the possibility of different calendar models. A variety of options could be considered. There is no preconceived idea, just a desire to have a calendar that supports high performance.

- 8. Middle School Schedule Update-Tim shared that the Middle School scheduling committee will be meeting soon. It will look broadly at the Middle School schedule as the issue is much more encompassing than the new Spanish option.
- 9. Common Core Update-Tim shared an update on Common Core. Recent topics of conversation have been higher text complexity expectations for student reading and also stronger mastery of math facts in the lower elementary grades.
- 10.Adjournment-Karla Homan moved, Joan Ensign seconded to adjourn. Passed 3-0 at 5:10pm.

cc. Amy Johnson, Kurt Eley, Janet Thomas, Dan Carter, Chris Hetzel, Brian Kersten, Sheila Weihert, Marcy Peters-Felice, Dean Kaminski, Randy Guttenberg, BOE.