

AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 BOARD OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 MEETING MINUTES
4:45 p.m., Virtual Meeting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannan Carlson, Carla Eichler, Andrea Hubbard
Donna Schuster, Dr. Jennifer Turner

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank Purcaro

1. Call to Order

Shannan Carlson called the meeting to order at 4:49 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Curriculum Committee Meeting – June 22, 2022

MOTION by Carla Eichler, to approve minutes as submitted

VOTES IN FAVOR, 5 (unanimous)

MOTION CARRIED

3. Public Comment

None

4. Revier Summer Curriculum Revisions

5. Update on 2022-23 Professional Learning Plan

6. Discuss Curriculum Audit Work and Future Planning

7. Revier 8th Grade Social Studies Textbook

8. Review State Assessment Results

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9. Adjournment

MOTION by Shannan Carlson to adjourn meeting

VOTES IN FAVOR, 5 (unanimous)

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Purcaro
Assistant Superintendent

September 12, 2022

Curriculum Committee



Agenda

- Beginning of the year updates and summer curriculum revisions
- Update on 2022-23 professional learning plan
- Discuss curriculum audit work and future planning
- 8th social studies textbook pilot
- State assessment results

Beginning of the year updates

- New Staff Orientation
 - August 17th and 18th
 - 35 new staff attended
 - 15 new certified teachers
- Administrators Retreat
 - August presentation of district wide data/state assessment results

Summer Curriculum Revisions

- Middle School Advisory – Update and align advisory activities
- Digital Media Communications - New MS Elective
- Middle School Reading - 7/8 Readers Workshop Units
- Middle School History/Social Studies – Common assessments/resource review
- High School World Language – Revisions to Units for Spanish IV, French III, Latin AP

2022-23 Professional Learning Plan

- August 24th

- Readers Workshop
- CT-SEDS
- Blended Learning
- Differentiated Instruction
- Social Emotional Learning

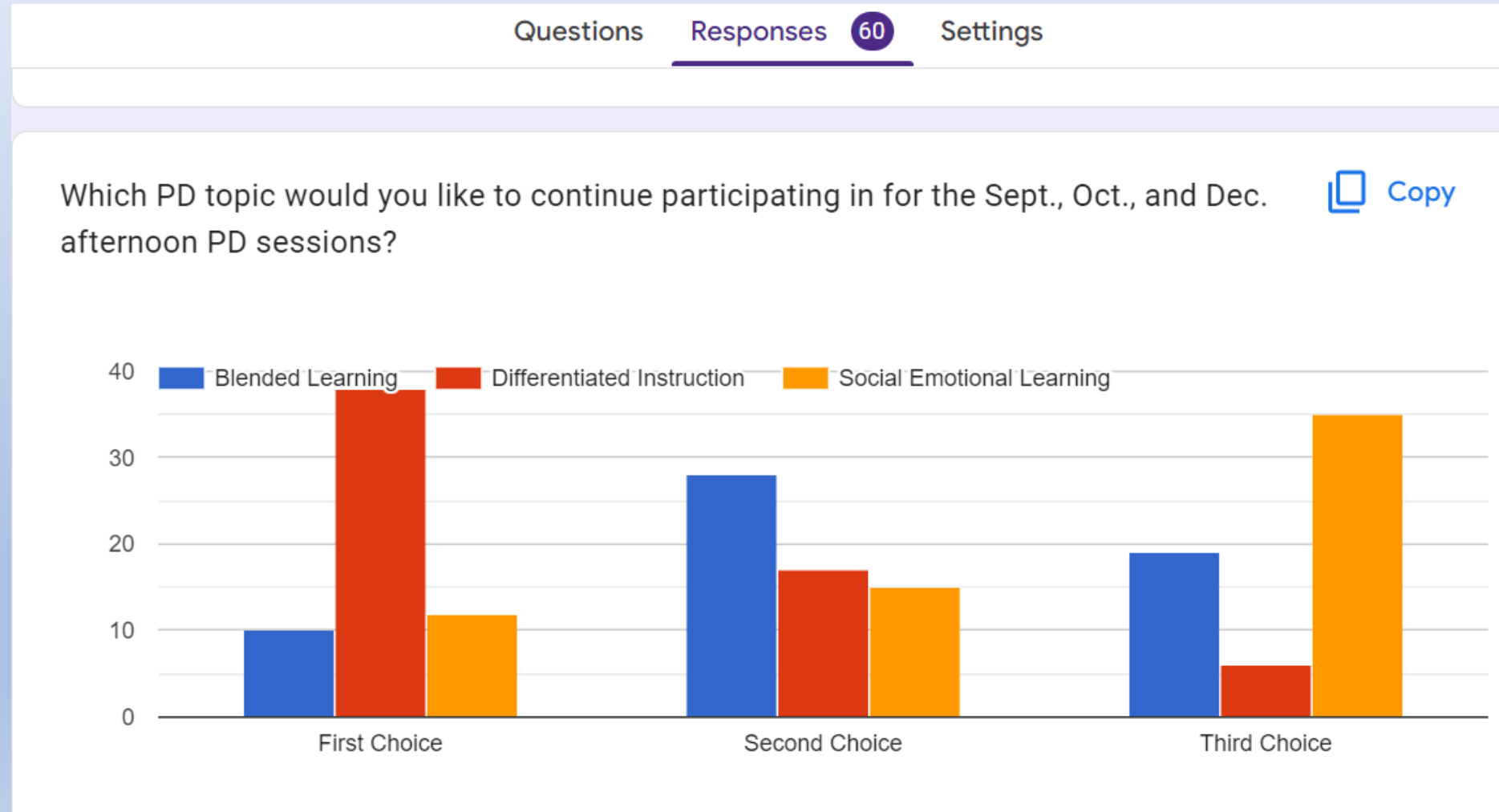
- August 25th

- Instructional Tech Offerings
- 25 Topics – EdPuzzle, Discovery Education, Promethean Boards
- Convocation/Keynote Address – Sebastain Little – Performance Coach – Managing Stress/Personal Goals

- Upcoming Sessions

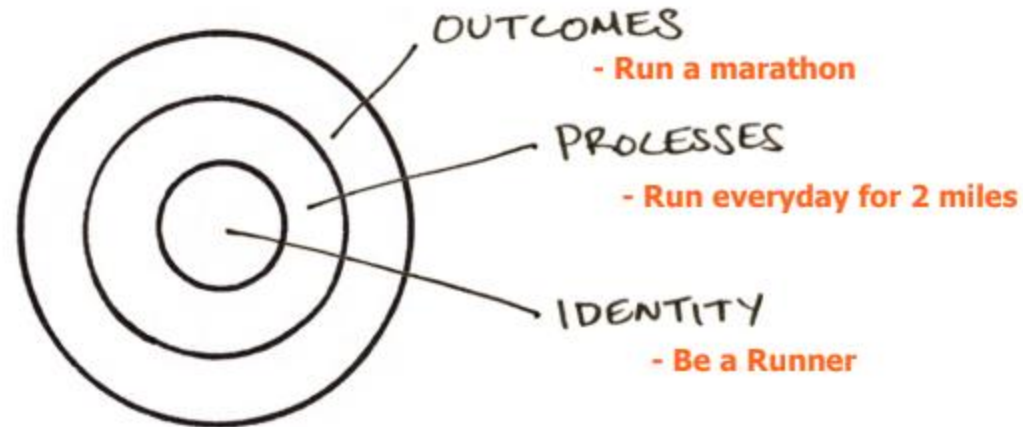
- September 22 – building based
- October 13th – district wide Continuation of the August 24th topics

Choice Professional Learning Moving Forward



Sebastian Little: Identity Focused Goals

Setting Identity Goals



From Atomic Habits, James Clear

Curriculum Audit Update

- ELA/Social Studies
- Work in conjunction with CES
- Year 2
- Application of the audit tool to resources
- VPA/CTE/PE-Health
- Year 1
- Foundational work on equity and curriculum
- Development of an audit tool applicable to these curricular areas

8th Grade Social Studies Textbook

- Piloting of two resources, McGraw Hill and HMH
- Pilot through January
- Use of evaluation rubric to review texts – teacher accessibility, rigor and standards alignment, technology integration

State Assessment Data

- SBA ELA and Math – Grades 3-8
- SAT – Reading & Writing and Math – Grade 11
- NGSS Assessment – Grades 5, 8, 11

Smarter Balanced – Quick Review

- State Assessment in ELA and Math
- Scored on Achievement Levels (1-4)
- Does Not Meet, Approaching, Meets, Exceeds – all relative to the grade level standards.
- Administered to students in grades 3-8

Smarter Balanced English Language Arts (SBA)

Percentage of students who have met or exceeded the target.

Grade	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Grade 6	77%	81%	NA	78%	81%
Grade 7	87%	81%	NA	73%	80%
Grade 8	82%	85%	NA	72%	68%

Smarter Balanced Mathematics (SBA)

Percentage of students who have met or exceeded the target.

Grade	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Grade 6	74%	75%	NA	63%	75%
Grade 7	79%	78%	NA	53%	67%
Grade 8	72%	82%	NA	55%	59%

Connecticut SAT Day

- Assessment of College Readiness
- Administered to all 11th Graders in March each year.
- Students assessed in two main areas: Evidence Based Reading & Writing and Math
- Scores ranges from 400-1600

CT School Day SAT – Grade 11

Percentage of students who have Met or Exceeded the target.

Grade	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
ELA	85%	81%		82%	87%
Math	65%	64%		52%	66%

NGSS – Quick Review

- State Assessment in Science
- Administered to all students in grades 5, 8, and 11
- Assess student understanding of science standards across grade bands.

Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

Percentage of students who have met or exceeded the target.

Grade	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Grade 8	Pilot – no scores	84%	NA	62%	60%
Grade 11	Pilot – no scores	71%	NA	59%	68%

Questions/Comments

