

TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Curriculum Committee of the Trumbull Board of Education

Regular Meeting - THS Main Office Conference Room
Via Audio Conferencing*

Thursday, July 8th, 2021, 8:15 a.m.

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order/Introduction. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ward at 8:15am. Educators introduced themselves and shared their role within Trumbull Public Schools.

Members Present

M. Ward, Chair
L. Timpanelli
M. Petitti
S. Iwanicki, Ed.D., ex officio

Others Present

Katie Laird
Elizabeth Copabianco
Jennifer Crawford
Beth Byers

II. Correspondence / Public Comment (The public can send comments via e-mail to siwanick@trumbullps.org; comments will be summarized as Correspondence received.) Mr. Ward and Dr. Iwanicki noted that the public was invited to send any comments via email, and that none had been received. It was also noted that the time for public comment on the Agenda said 11:00am. The committee agreed they would return at 11:00am to be sure no one was left unheard.

III. Approval/Minutes – Regular Meeting 05/20/2021

Ms. Timpanelli moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Mrs. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

IV. New Business

a. Report, Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Iwanicki shared that several curriculum guides were being written this summer, including all Kindergarten through Grade 5 Social Studies. Trumbull Public Schools is excited that so many teachers are willing to do this work during the summer. THS also has a number of courses being worked on across content areas.

b. UCONN Multivariable Calculus/Linear Algebra Curriculum Guide — Mrs. Copabianco explained that new UCONN Multivariable Calculus/Linear Algebra Curriculum Guide was created after learning that students could receive credit for some of the content that TPS was already teaching. She worked on this guide to be sure students are receiving credit. It involves the study of high leverage mathematics concepts integrated with practice using the software *MyMathLab*. It also incorporates the development of a student portfolio as opposed to a final exam. Samples of student work from a portfolio were also shared with the committee. Mrs. Timpanelli made motion to accept the guide and bring it to the Board. Mrs. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

c. Kindergarten Social Studies Curriculum Guide—It was noted that the Agenda reads Grade 1, but the committee was reviewing *the Kindergarten* Social Studies Curriculum Guide. Mrs. Byers shared that the new guide is standards based and that each assessment grows in complexity as is developmentally appropriate. Mrs. Crawford expressed the excitement of having a standards based curriculum and in particular, the incorporation of the geography standards. Mrs. Timpanelli made motion to accept the guide and bring it to the Board. Mrs. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

Mrs. Timpanelli made the motion to adjourn at 10:10. Mrs. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

The committee was brought to order again by Mr. Ward at 11:00 am for 5 minutes to double-check for any additional public comment. Hearing none, Mrs. Timpanelli made motion to adjourn, and Mrs. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.