

## Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

5/15/23

Attendees: Timothy Van Tassel, Michelle Zawawi, Carrie Apanovitch, Matthew Dobi, Shannon Inero, Ken Smith, Diana Kolodziej, Stephannie Holland, Dom Casolari, Laura Laflamme, Kate McCluskey, Mark Janik, Devlyn Bent, Maureen Sattan, Jamie Drzyzga, Tracy Cloyd, and Melissa Finnigan

I. Call to order: 5:07 pm

II. French Level I Textbook:

Devlyn Bent presented the new French level I textbook to the committee. She shared that our current books are over 20 years old. Our new textbooks will be introduced to 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders this year. The middle school version is split into a book A and book B while the high school book combines the same material into one. The new texts embed larger conversational pieces that allow students to both read and listen on-line. They also provide unit summaries including vocabulary. Students will be provided an online text and there will be classroom sets of books for each teacher. The total cost for this purchase is approximately \$24,000 and will fund texts for both 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade classes. The books will be held in Central Office for viewing.

III. SHS and SMS Bell Schedule

Mr. Smith shared the SMS Bell Schedule for next year. It provided a clear picture of how the hybrid 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade team will function throughout the day. The schedule was designed to allow for students to remain with their grade for lunch and off team time. It also provides opportunities for teachers to meet in their PLC's by grade and as a team.

Mrs. Apanovich shared the SHS Bell Schedule for next year. She shared an overview of the rationale for change and the multiple draft revisions. The schedule is a drop 2, Monday through Thursday, with each block lasting approximately 62 minutes. On Friday, all classes will meet for 42 minutes. Period 5 is the one exception and will meet for 40 minutes on Monday and 65 minutes on Friday. Curriculum leaders shared the benefits and opportunities within the schedule. Next year, SMS and SHS will start its day at 7:30 am and end at 2:10 pm.

IV. Adjournment: 6:30 pm