

CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING

1/11/2018 [4:00PM-5:00PM] @ Derry Township School District Board Room

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Roll Call

Present: Missy Kunder, Traci Landry, Stacy Winslow, Jackie Castleman, Renee Owens, Kathy Sicher, Christine Hicks, Donna Cronin, Mary Dague, Lindsay Drew, Lewis Shaw, Tricia Steiner **Absent:** Dave Sweigert, Lisa Sviben Miller, Peter Ebert, R Michael Dotts, Kimberly Vondran, David Yingst, Anna Gawel, Ron Wales, Terry Singer, Erick Valentin, Kyle Moll, John Abel, Jennifer Mysel, Maria Memmi, Lindsey Schmidt, Derek Dietz, Nancy Kiscadden, Jeffrey Smith, Carol Dundorf, Judy Haverstick

Attendance Updates:

• Shari Taylor-Stuckey. (Write-In at 01/12/2018 10:22 AM)

1. Call to Order

a. Welcome and Introductions

2. Elect Committee Chairperson

Minutes

A nomination was made by Donna Cronin and seconded by Tricia Steiner for Kathy Sicher to continue her position as Chairperson of the Curriculum Council. Kathy has accepted the nomination. All were in favor.

3. Approval of Summary Minutes

(12.11.17Minutes.pdf attached)

4. Informational

a. 339 Plan - Career & College Readiness

Minutes

Dr. Winslow spoke on the PA Future Ready Index. Council was informed of the a specific aspect of the Ready Index: the 339 Plan - Career and College Readiness. This plan begins this year as we begin to keep track of this indicator. We have very specific items already in place at particular grade levels.

Dr. Winslow elaborated on the three specifics:

1. Fifth grade has moved to the JA Biztown for our fifth grade field trip. This totally meets this indicator. Christine Hicks, fifth grade teacher spoke on the actual week to

week activities for JA Biztown. The fifth grade meets once a week for an hour lesson. There are many roles the students represent. ex. CEO, CFO, etc. leading up to the actual field trip. Once they are at the field trip they will be exploring the job assignment.

2. Jackie Gillespie, DTSD FCS teacher will be organizing a Career Fair for 8th grade students. The reflection piece from this fair will meet this indicator.
3. Naviance (software) will be a big piece supporting this indicator. Expanding internship opportunities will fit this indicator as well.

b. Upcoming Presentations

c. Suggested Reading

(el200611_reeves.pdf attached) (Guskey and Grading-1.pdf attached) (Making the Grade.pdf attached) (TheGradesGame.pdf attached) (Five Obstacles to Grading Reform.pdf attached)

5. Items for Discussion

a. Curriculum Philosophy/Vision/Beliefs & Organizational Structure

Minutes

Just a reminder that we have a subcommittee working on the Curriculum Philosophy/Vision/Beliefs and Organizational Structure. Tricia Steiner and Kip Shaw will receive access to this googledoc.

b. Roles & Responsibilities

Minutes

The next part to be examined in the Procedure for Curriculum Development document are the Roles and Responsibility. Some things are not quite accurate and will need to be removed.

(CurriculumCouncilRoles&Responsibilities.docx attached)

c. Updated Textbook/Materials Adoption Form

Minutes

(TextbookProposalTemplate.docx attached)

6. New Business

a. Speech and Debate Revision - HS English Department

Minutes

Shari Taylor-Stuckey, HS English Department Chair, presented a proposal to change the title of the Speech and Debate course to: Speech and Communications. Students need foundational skills developed before the debate begins. This is only a semester course and the "debate" is only getting touched on at the end of the semester. Students are thinking they can come into the course with the start of debate and teachers feel they need the foundational skills first. The curriculum will not change, just the title. Suggestions were made by the council:

- Divide the course into two categories, first course Intro to Speech and second course Intro to Debate.
- Scheduling occurs at the beginning of February so it would be difficult to add a new course at this time. The Debate Course would need to be written.
- Would interest drop on student sign up if we drop the word "debate? Mrs. Stuckey agreed with the comment.
- Consider calling it "Speech and Introduction to Debate" The suggestion was acknowledged and we just want the students to know that the course is not all "debate".

A motion was made by Kathy Sicher to change the name of the original proposal from "Speech and Communications" to Speech and Introduction to Debate" and seconded by Donna Cronin.

A motion was made by Donna Cronin to accept this course title change "Speech and Introduction to Debate" for a first read, and seconded by Tricia Steiner. All were in favor.

(Balanda Final SPEECHProposal Form .docx attached)

7. Old Business

a. Course Revision: Tech Apps

Minutes

A motion was made by Kathy Sicher to accept for a second read and sent for approval by the School Board the Curriculum Revision Tech Apps and seconded by Tricia Steiner. The revision was approved.

(Curriculum Revision Tech Apps.pdf attached)

8. Public Comment

9. Next Meeting - February 12, 2018

10. Adjournment

Minutes

The Curriculum Council meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.