

CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEETING - MARCH 9, 2020

4:00PM-5:00PM @ Derry Township School District Board Room

Roll Call

Present: Missy Kunder, Stacy Winslow, Kimberly Dilger, Laura Alexander, Jena Funck, Shari Taylor-Stuckey, Brendan Hensel, Erick Valentin, Kathy Sicher, Derek Dietz, Nancy Kiscadden, Jeffrey Smith, Donna Cronin, Lewis Shaw, Tricia Steiner, Melinda Curran, Chelsea Gavin, James Grandi

Absent: Dave Sweigert, Traci Landry, Lisa Sviben Miller, Peter Ebert, Renee Owens, David Yingst, Anna Gawel, Lindsey Schmidt, Christine Hicks, Paula Soni, Heidi Stine

Attendance Updates:

- Guests: Erin Ives Chris Leonzo Crystal Paukovitch. (Write-In at 03/10/2020 11:46 AM)
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1. Call To Order

Minutes

The Curriculum Council Meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm

2. Review of Summary Notes

3. Informational

a. Update: Europe Trip - Mrs. Michelle O'Brien

Minutes

Mrs. O'Brien recently attended the Curriculum Council meeting to ask to organize a trip for students during the school year next year. This trip was being planned over Thanksgiving 2020. Mrs. O'Brien has decided to postpone this trip due to the outbreak of COVID-19. This trip is not cancelled but postponed for another year.

4. Items for Discussion

a. Scope and Sequence: Health/PE

Minutes

Dr. Winslow met with the Health/PE teachers last month to create the attached Scope and Sequence. We need to work through this as a team to see what do we have time for and what can we do? Board members have spent a great deal of time going through lessons and gave us great feedback. In the summer we will reconvene to continue work with this curriculum. The question is "can there be some "give" on the lessons currently until the health curriculum is finalized".

Question:

Will the subjects be expanded to include condom demonstrations, in depth understanding of vocabulary?

Grade 8? Sexual assault, rape crisis, resources? yes we will work this summer on compiling resources.

Role of texting and relationships, pornography, (Texting piece in MS and Pornography HS)

Bullying? Addressed in Healthy Relationships.

Digital Citizenship? Addressed in grade 2 in the STEAM class. MS and HS and woven all throughout curriculum.

LGBTQ? Teachers feel they need more training on how to teach this in order to teach correctly?

Currently using gender neutral language. We do have Lancaster YWCA coming in to provide different workshops for our staff.
 Coverage of the respiratory system until grade 9? maybe added earlier to address vaping. We will need to look into this, unfortunately this will be the possibility of removing another topic.

5. New Business

a. Textbook Recommendation: SRA Open Court Reading

Curricular Area:	English Language Arts
Subject Course:	English Language Arts
Grade Levels:	3, 4, 5th Grades
Copyright Date:	3rd Gr 2016; 4th & 5th 2018
Recommended Title	SRA Open Court Reading
Author:	SRA Open Court Authorship Team
Publisher:	McGraw Hill Education

Minutes

A motion was made by Kathy Sicher to approve the SRA Open Court Reading for grades 3, 4, & 5 for a first read, seconded by Tricia Steiner. All were in favor.

b. Textbook Recommendation: The Glass Castle

Curricular Area:	English
Subject Course:	College Prep English 12: Creative Nonfiction
Grade Levels:	12th Grade
Copyright Date:	March 2005
Recommended Title	The Glass Castle
Author:	Jeannette Walls
Publisher:	Charles Scribner's Sons

Minutes

A motion was made by Kathy Sicher to approve the novel The Glass Castle fir a first read, seconded by Donna Cronin. All were in favor.

c. Textbook Recommendation: The Nickel Boys

Curricular Area:	HS English
Subject Course:	College Preparatory English 12: When Culture Goes Pop
Grade Levels:	12th Grade

Copyright Date:	2019
Recommended Title	The Nickel Boys
Author:	Colson Whitehead
Publisher:	Doubleday

Minutes

A motion was made to vote the group of Two When Culture Goes Pop as a whole by Donna Cronin and Seconded by Tricia Steiner. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Kathy Sicher to approve the two novels, The Nickel Boys and The Handmaid's Tale for a first read, seconded by Tricia Steiner. All were in favor.

d. Textbook Recommendation: The Handmaid's Tale

Curricular Area:	HS English
Subject Course:	College Preparatory English 12: When Culture Goes Pop
Grade Levels:	12th Grade
Copyright Date:	1985
Recommended Title	The Handmaid's Tale
Author:	Margaret Atwood
Publisher:	McClelland and Stewart

6. Old Business

7. Public Comment

8. Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 4:00 pm

9. Adjournment

Minutes

The Curriculum Council meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm.