

*AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5
Bethany Orange Woodbridge
25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut 06525*

*Dr. Jennifer P. Byars
Superintendent of Schools*

AMITY REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 11, 2024, 4:45 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Carla Eichler, Donna Schlank, Donna Schuster

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Andrea Hubbard

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Frank Purcaro

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Eichler called the meeting to order at 4:46 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Curriculum Committee Meeting – February 12, 2024

MOTION BY Donna Schuster to approve minutes as submitted for February 12, 2024.

VOTES IN FAVOR, 3 (UNANIMOUS)

MOTION CARRIES

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

4. DISTRICT TEACHING AND LEARNING UPDATES INCLUDING MID-YEAR LEARNING WALKS

[031124 Curriculum Committee Presentation Link](#)

Professional Learning: A professional learning day was held on February 8th, providing teachers an opportunity to attend a variety of content specific sessions. Including, but not limited to, Inquiry -based instructional strategies for math, NGSS assessments, intervention for science, review of financial literacy curriculum, and vertical curriculum alignment for ELA. Follow up work will continue on March 14th.

BOWA Regional Collaboration: Curriculum Directors from BOWA held their monthly meeting at Beecher School in Woodbridge. Time was used to review district reading practices, curriculum alignment, EL student populations, and the intervention and support processes. Science teachers from the region met at AMSB to share thoughts and ideas around instruction practices, resource usage, and state assessment data. Additional meetings will continue throughout the school year.

School Wide Data Talks: 7th and 8th grade teams at both AMSB and AMSO met to discuss the mid-year STAR

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and I-Ready assessment in both reading and math. Teachers were given an opportunity to analyze detailed reports for their own classrooms and identify the standards and skills that will require focused attention and support prior to the spring administration of STAR, I-Ready and SBAC.

Curriculum Writing Training: Social Studies teachers 7-12 and Algebra teachers from the High School math department met with leaders of the district Curriculum Council for curriculum writing.

Portrait of the Graduate (POG): What is the POG and why is it important? Where is the POG living now? What are the next steps?

Donna Schlank left meeting at 5:35 p.m.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned, without objection, at 5:37 p.m. by Chairperson Eichler

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Zaleski

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BOE Recording Secretary