

**BETHANY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**November 1, 2023**  
**Via Zoom Meeting**

**PRESENT**

Angelo Amato  
Susan Bradford  
Namita Wijesekera, Chair

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Kai Byrd  
Tom Reed-Swale  
Jacqueline Nathman  
Cheryl Kiesel

**ABSENT**

Amy Lestinsky  
EJ Maher

- Call to Order** Dr. Wijesekera called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
- Minutes** **Motion** by Bradford, seconded by Amato to approve the October 4, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. *The motion carries 3 yes, 2 absent (Lestinsky, Maher)*
- Business** Ms. Kiesel reported on recent and upcoming professional development offerings for staff.
- Ms. Kiesel provided an update regarding the status of the reading waiver. A decision from the Connecticut State Department of Education is expected by December 1, 2023.
- Mr. Reed-Swale and Ms. Nathman presented the Bethany 2023 SBA/NGSS Results. The presentation included announcing that Bethany Community School has been identified as a School of Distinction.
- Mrs. Byrd thanked Dr. Wijesekera for her twelve years of service to the Bethany community.
- Adjournment** The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.
- Future Meeting Agenda Items**
- Approval of meeting minutes
  - Curriculum & Professional Learning Update

Kai Byrd  
Recorder