



OFFICE OF INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Council Minutes

December 2, 2021
Online via Zoom

Members in Attendance

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| Traci Pedersen Associate Superintendent | Jane Bulovsky Council Chair | Heather Rains Council Vice-Chair |
| Reese Everett Associate Superintendent | DeeDee Hanes Associate Superintendent | Jana DePriest Curriculum Coordinator |
| Melissa Kortbein Curriculum Secretary | Leslie Chisholm Counseling Coordinator | Colleen Walker (Presenter) |
| Christine Duffy | Jamin Burton | Janelle Maki |
| Jen Dowd | Kristina Cassidy | Laura Porter |
| Janet McLain | Virginia Pettijohn | Nathan Boleen |
| Lacey Byrd | Ben Kolendo | Greg Danner |
| Kristin Wolf (presenter) | Tyler Glaser | Christa Hayes |
| Sarah Varland | | |

Welcome Address: Traci Pedersen

Council Welcome: Jana DePriest

Review of last council meeting: Melissa Kortbein

Approval of Minutes: Heather Rains moves to approve, Greg Danner second. All in favor, 0 opposed.

Secondary Counselor, Elementary Social Studies, Middle School Math Positions:

Motion to accept new members: Greg Danner, Second: Christine Duffy. All in favor, 0 opposed. Laura Porter from Mat-Su Central will serve as new Secondary Counselor Representative. Alexis Griffiee from Federal Programs will serve as the Elementary Social Studies Representative. Kristina Cassidy from Midnight Sun Charter School will serve as the Middle School Math Representative.

Vote for Council Chair:

Motion to accept Jane Bulovsky: Christine Duffy, Second: Heather Rains.



Vote for Vice-Chair:

Motion to accept Heather Rains: Jane Bulovsky, Second: Greg Danner.

iTech: Jane Bulovsky and Kristin Wolf

Presented that the below iTech Apex courses use a different platform but meet the same requirements as the CTE courses. All courses are already approved courses for the district. The courses would count as academic elective credit for FY22 as well as future semesters. The Apex course number and name would be changed to the same course number and name with a "v" designation to the corresponding CTE course.

Motion to approve to change the course number of Apex's Business Law to the same course number with a "v" added to signify online as the CTE Business Law number and agree that it counts as .5 Social Studies elective credit: Jamin Burton, Second: Greg Danner. 17 in favor, 1 opposed.

Motion to approve to change the course number of Apex's Principals of Business, Marketing and Finance S1 to the same course number and name with a "v" designation as the CTE Marketing name and number and agree that it counts as .5 Social Studies elective credit: Jen Dowd, Second: Heather Rains. 16 in favor, 2 opposed.

Motion to approve to change the course number of Apex's Principals of Business, Marketing and Finance S2 to the same course number and name with a "v" designation as the CTE Merchandising name and number and agree that it counts as .5 Social Studies elective credit: Heather Rains, Second: Greg Danner. 15 in favor, 3 opposed.

Motion to approve to change the course number and name of Apex's Human Resources Principles S2 to the same course number and name with a "v" designation as the CTE Human Relations in the workplace name and number and agree that it counts as .5 Social Studies elective credit: Heather Rains, Second: Alexis Griffiee. 16 in favor, 2 opposed.

Motion to approve to change the course number and name of Apex's Principles of Health Science S1 to the same course number and name with a "v" designation as the CTE Intro to Careers in the Health & Fitness name and number and agree that it counts as .5 Science elective credit: Heather Rains, Second: Jen Dowd. 17 in favor, 1 opposed.

Break: 1:11pm

Readjourn: 1:20pm

Updates on Professional Development: Colleen Walker

- On August 2, 2021, we had 108 new certified hires at Fall Academy in the Mat-Su (FAMS) – 19 different program training sessions and over 200 registrations for the event.
- October 28, 2021 was CEA PD Day – there was 27 different sessions and over 934 registrations for event. Courses offered included technology, social emotional learning, and program PD.
- We are continuing to roll out iReady classroom for K-8 and enVision A/G/A for 9-12 teachers. Six sessions have been offered so far through in-person, virtual, and micro-PD sessions. Professional development will continue into semester 2.
- We currently have 28 flights in progress for focused learning teams. Examples of school sponsored events: 4Cs - Excellence for All, Math Talks for i-Ready Math, Staff Wellness for

School Improvement, and Step Up to Writing for K-5 Classroom Teachers. Examples of District Sponsored events: Powering Students Engagement with Promethean, Canvas LMS, and Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS).

- Save the Date: May 24-27, 2022, Summer Academy in the Mat-Su (SAMS). UAA course for credit – 20 courses to choose from. Details will come in semester 2.
- If you have a request or feel there is a hole in PD at your school, reach out to Colleen Walker, colleen.walker@matsuk12.us.

Updates on Curriculum Calendar, Curriculum Process, Website, K-12 ELA:

Jana DePriest

- Jana showed the Council where to find staff resources under the programs/content area on the website. The goal is to have items for teachers to be able to find quickly.
- Reviewed core content areas on the instruction home page. Some programs have blueprints and frameworks – some are still in the development stages. There are also other curriculum resources including, calendars, materials requests, etc.
- Reviewed and discussed the changes to the [Curriculum Review Calendar](#). ELA adoption has been extended because of the Math Adoption. The change caused Science and Social Studies to be delayed until 2023-2024. The Health Framework was updated, and materials were not purchased due to the National Standards being updated in the next couple of years.
- The [Curriculum Review & Materials Adoption Process](#) document was reviewed to show the additional links added for the resources and scoring rubrics used during the review.

K-5 Literacy started with a team of instructional coaches looking at the different reading programs last spring, reviewing EdReports, and researching programs other districts were using. The information was forwarded to the 25 district staff members who went through a review process, looking at the EdReports and rubrics to select programs to review. The ELA team participated in vendor presentations, reviewed materials, and evaluated them using a scoring rubric. Evaluation of the programs will continue through the FY22 year.

6-12 ELA adoptions team meet this spring to discuss needs and comprehensive vs. component program. On November 11, 2021, the ELA adoptions team met again to further discuss the pros and cons of a component and comprehensive program. A survey was sent out to all ELA teachers to vote on a comprehensive program or a component program. The survey is due before winter break.

A tentative curriculum timeline was discussed with the Council. In February, a needs assessment for Science and Social Studies will be sent out to teachers. It was requested that the January Council meeting be moved to February due to the postponing of the ELA adoption and allow an opportunity for more curriculum requests to be submitted.

Motion to move the next Curriculum Council Meeting to February 3, 2022, at 12:30pm: Virginia Pettijohn, Second: Jen Dowd. All in favor, 0 opposed.

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None at this time.

Closing

Motion to close the meeting: Virginia PettiJohn, Second: Jen Dowd. All in favor, 0 opposed.

Adjourned at 2pm.