

Curriculum Committee Meeting

May 29, 2024

Zoom conference

Chairman Mario Ciccarini called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

I. Roll Call - Committee Members Present:

Peter Downhour: present

Christopher Piscitelli: present

Mario Ciccarini: present

Additional Board Members: none

HPS Staff Members: Gary Highsmith, Superintendent, Linda Tran, Assistant Superintendent, Erin Bailey, Assistant Superintendent, Nelly Quito-Poma, Karen Kramer, Elizabeth Lapman, Susan Smey, Patrick Sullivan, Kat Santiago, Terri Kurczewski, Leslie Della Valle, Elisa McCulley, Molly Hennessy

II. Public Comments: no public comments

III. Additions to the Agenda: no additions

Proposals were made by Linda Tran to move Agenda Item III. b. iv. (HHS Curriculum Approval - Visual Arts) to the first action item and remove the original action item ii. (HHS field trip to China) from the agenda. Approved 3-0 (Ciccarini, Downhour, Piscitelli)

a. Information Items:

i. Updates from Media - presented by Susan Smey, Karen Kraemer, and Elisa McCulley

b. Action Items:

i. Hamden High School Curriculum Approval - Visual Art - presented by Leslie Della Valle, Molly Hennessy, and Patrick Sullivan

Concerns were shared by the Curriculum Committee board members that documents were not provided in advance to review for questions. The motion was made to move

the action item to the next Curriculum Committee meeting (June date TBD) and share the full curriculum with the board members to review before voting.

- Motion made to move action item III. b. i. to the next Curriculum Committee meeting date - approved 3-0 (Ciccarini, Downhour, Piscitelli)

Board member Peter Downhour needed to leave the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

ii. Hamden High School Trip Approval - Peru - presented by Elizabeth Lapman, Nelly Quito-Poma, and Kat Santiago

- Approved 2-0 (Ciccarini, Piscatelli)

iii. Hamden High School Curriculum Approval - Math Explorations

Since the Curriculum Committee members did not have access to the materials before this evening's meeting, a motion was made to move action item III. b. iii. to the next Curriculum Committee meeting date - approved 2-0 (Ciccarini, Piscitelli)

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IV. Board Member Comments - none

V. Adjournment of meeting at 7:33 p.m.