

**AMESBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TEACHING AND LEARNING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
AMESBURY HIGH SCHOOL
April 30, 2020**

This meeting was conducted under the 'Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c.30A, §20', signed on March 12, 2020.

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Present at 5:00 p.m. were Maryann Welch (Chair), Jana deBeer, Peter Hoyt, Superintendent Fulgoni, and the Director of Teaching and Learning, Lyn Jacques.

Ms. Welch called the meeting to order at 5:00pm and the meeting adjourned at 5:54pm.

- Subcommittee unanimously approved the minutes from 1/23/2020 and 2/13/2020
- Members reviewed Ms. Jacques memo titled April 30th Teaching and Learning Subcommittee Report and Ms. Jacques said the teachers “have been outstanding” in the new teaching landscape.
 - **Remote learning and new guidance from DESE:** A PowerPoint was made for principals to share with staff on the four DESE priorities. A survey will be going out to principals to assess remote learning plan implementation. Technology training has been at building level.
 - **How are the schools moving students towards consistent engagement?** Discussed possible ways to track student engagement so data can be collected. Schools plan to identify any emerging engagement trends.
 - **Efforts to streamline communication** Principal surveys will provide info on areas to streamline. Teachers concerned about social emotional health.
 - **“Power Standards”** Working on a way to tag standards in Google classroom but SeeSaw has that capability.
 - **Effects Co-Vid has on Teaching and Learning goals and data** Wasn’t able to work on using varied assessments to monitor students. This may not have relevance in next year’s PD. Still planning to support elementary teachers with training on the new literacy program that will be determined using a survey on May 8th. Middle school is piloted three math programs next year (ST Math, Desmos, PLTW) to improve math scores. Ms. Jacques is not sure how to provide PD and what it would look like at this time.
 - **Cancellation of the MCAS** Data to monitor impact of objectives has been greatly affected by the absence of MCAS. MAP testing and/or other tests will be used to assess students in the Fall. Discussed MAP testing remotely and determined implausible.
 - **District 2020 Extended School Year Plans** This is under the special education department but too early to tell. If we expanded programming to summer it would be expensive.
 - **Preparations for reopening** TBD
- Define responsibilities of the subcommittee
 - Need to simplify

- Need to come up with ideas to spotlight staff/students/programs. Idea: Family shares remote learning experiences, standouts in the latest District newsletter

Proposed next meeting is Thursday, May 26th, 2020 at 5pm. Proposed topics are Subcommittee Goals, Spotlight recommendations, and Teaching and Learning Updates.