

**Region 10 Board of Education
Curriculum Committee Minutes
Tuesday, December 17, 2024
4:30 PM
Central Office Conference Room**

Present: Scott Ragaglia (Co-Chair), Scott Savelle (Co-Chair), Matt Szydlo, Rachel McFadden, Cassandra DuBois, Vonetta Romeo-Rivers (Director of Teaching & Learning), JoelPatrick Leger (K – 12 Social Studies Coordinator)

1. Call to order at 4:31pm
2. Review & Approval of the prior meeting Minute from November 19, 2024. Upon review a motion was made by Scott Savelle to Approve the Minutes as written, seconded by Rachel McFadden, Unanimously Approved
3. K – 4 Social Studies Curriculum Overview by Joel Patrick Leger. Joel provided a very informative program update and overview highlighting the aspects of the program along with the topical progression K-4. The program also integrates Social Studies with an age-appropriate introduction to Science. A grade-by-grade handout was provided with each grade's topics and links to how it progresses between grades. Not all school systems provide this type of early introduction to Social Studies content in the elementary master schedule.
4. LSM ECE course offering and new program update along with class-by-class enrollment data provided by Vonetta Romeo-Rivers. In the 23-24 school year 5 ECE Programs were offered with 72 LSM students enrolled, for the 24-25 school year 5 of the 6 ECE programs are offered with 82 LSM students enrolled. In addition, the new EdAdvance partnership course Pre-Manufacturing CAD classes have 22 LSM students. The CPR/First Aid AED Wellness elective had 92 enrollees trained (18 students registered for certification) in Semester 1 of 24-25 and has 80 students so far registered for Semester 2 in 24-25. The addition of new ECE courses has not negatively impacted the enrollment in AP courses. Needless to say, our Region 10 students are significantly benefiting by the hard work by all involved in bringing these programs to the Curriculum and the BOE for vetting and approval. Very well-done Vonetta and team.
5. RSD 10 AI Planning & next steps: Vonetta provided an overview of the AI introduction to the teachers in Region 10. In 23-24 Microsoft Co-Pilot was introduced for feedback. In 24-25, 10 members of the faculty selected to participate in the Ed Advance webinar and 20 (18 faculty & 2 LSM students) will be part of an AI Working Group/Advisory presented by Matt Mervis of Ed Advance next Thursday with meetings in January & May. After the May meeting an AI recommendation should be provided. There are an additional 14 faculty members involved in an AI self-directed MyPL initiative.
6. Next Meeting February 25, 2025 Topics: As a group we decided to cancel the January 2025 meeting to give Deb Foley time to put together what we are doing in Region 10 to support Special Education while in R10 as students and what we are doing re the State of CT Mandate re how are we meeting their needs after they leave our system until they age out of the mandate.
7. A motion the adjourn was made by Cassandra DuBois, and seconded by Matt Szydlo at 6:15pm