

HPS Curriculum Committee Meeting

March 26, 2025

Zoom conference

Call to order and roll call.

Christopher Piscitelli called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call - Committee Members Present:

Peter Downhour: present

Christopher Piscitelli: present

Mario Ciccarini: absent

Additional Board Members: none

HPS Staff Members: Gary Highsmith, Superintendent; Erin Bailey, Assistant Superintendent; Elizabeth Lapman, Director of World Languages; Erica Torruellas and Kevin Pollicino, Teachers from the WL and ML Departments

II. Public Comments - none

III. Additions/Changes to the Agenda - none

IV. Information Items

a) World Language & ML Department Update

Elizabeth Lapman, Director of World Languages, Erica Torruellas and Kevin Pollicino Teachers from the WL and ML Departments provide curricular updates on the department's progress.

V. Action Items

a) Approval of HHS student exchange program trip to Italy for the 2025-26 school year

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve the HHS student exchange program trip to Italy for the 2025-26 school year

Second by: Peter Downhour
All in Favor
Motion passes

b) Approval of BHSU Historically Black Colleges and Universities Tour April 7-
April 10, 2025

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve the BHSU Historically Black Colleges
and Universities Tour April 7, 2025
Second by: Peter Downhour
All in Favor
Motion passes

c) Approval of the Spanish Year 2/3 field trip to visit El Museo del Barrio &
Havana Central Times Square on April 24, 2025

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve the Spanish Year 2/3 field trip to visit
El Museo del Barrio & Havana Central Times Square on April 24, 2025
Second by: Peter Downhour
All in Favor
Motion passes

d) Approval of the Spanish Club field trip to visit Six Flags New England on May
2, 2025

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve the Spanish Club field trip to visit Six
Flags New England on May 2, 2025
Second by: Peter Downhour
All in Favor
Motion passes

e) Approval for Hamden High School to host a Dunkin' Mid-Day Refresh event on
April 23, 2025

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve to accept donation of Dunkin gift
cards.
Second by: Peter Downhour
All in Favor
Motion passes

f) Approval for UCONN ECE Spanish

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve UCONN ECE Spanish
Second by: Peter Downhour

All in Favor
Motion passes

g) Approval of a monetary donation (\$1,500) for AP exam fees from the Dominate the Day Foundation

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve a monetary donation (\$1,500) for AP exam fees from the Dominate the Day Foundation

Second by: Peter Downhour

All in Favor
Motion passes

h) Approval for Hamden Public Schools to be the recipient of a menstrual products drive from the Accessibility Pillar of Quinnipiac University's Honors Program

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to approve for Hamden Public Schools to be the recipient of a menstrual products drive from the Accessibility Pillar of Quinnipiac University's Honors Program

Second by: Peter Downhour

All in Favor
Motion passes

VI. Adjournment

Motion by Christopher Piscitelli to Adjourn

Second by: Peter Downhour

All in Favor
Motion passes

Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.