

Hamden PS Curriculum Committee Meeting

September 24, 2025

Zoom conference

Call to order and roll call

Chairman Mario Ciccarini called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

I. Roll Call - Committee Members Present:

Peter Downhour: present

Christopher Piscitelli: present

Mario Ciccarini: present

Additional Board Members: none

HPS Staff Members: Erin Bailey, Beth Lapman, Katerine Santiago, Heather Wachter

II. Public Comments: no public comments

III. Additions to the agenda

IV. Information Items:

a) Curriculum Audit Update (presented by Erin Bailey)

b) Elementary ELA Website -

<https://www.hamden.org/departments/teaching-and-learning/elementary-language-arts> (presented by Heather Wachter)

V. Action Items

a) Approval of Hamden Middle School World Language trip to Costa Rica April 11-17,2026

Approved 3-0

b) Approval of ELA book discards

Approved 3-0

c) Approval of the field trip for the Italian Cultural Exchange group to visit New York City on September 25 & 29, 2025

Approved 3-0

d) Approval of the field trip for the Italian Cultural Exchange group to visit Yale University on September 26, 2025

Approved 3-0

e) Approval of the field trip for the Italian Cultural Exchange group to visit Boston on September 30, 2025

Approved 3-0

f) Approval of the field trip for the Italian Cultural Exchange group to visit New York City on October 1, 2025

Approved 3-0

g) Approval of the Hamden High School Dance Team field trip to Orlando, Florida, February 2026 for the National Dance Team Championships

Approved 3-0

VI. Adjournment

Approved 3-0