



Regional School District 17
Board of Education
Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
Chair: Kathy Zandi

A meeting of the Regional School District 17 Curriculum Subcommittee was held on November 10, 2025, in the Central Office Board Room.

Subcommittee Members Present: Dr. Kathy Zandi (remote), Jennifer Favalora, Sonja Charpentier (remote), Lisa Connelly

Subcommittee Members Absent: Suzanne Sack

Other Attendees: Curriculum Coordinators Heather Rigatti and Jennifer Beermuender, Student Services Director Dr. Aaron Puzarne (left at 6:35)

Call to Order/Opening of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 pm by Kathy Zandi

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Lisa Connelly **MOVED** and Sonja Charpentier **SECONDED** a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

New Solutions Implementation Update

Director Puzarne presented an update on New Solutions, including information on the SPDG grant, goals, and professional development opportunities for both special education and regular education teachers.

Textbook Proposals

Heather Rigatti and Jennifer Beermuender presented the group with the proposed new textbooks for Psychology, Astronomy, and Middle School Science. The books will be available in the central office for board members to view.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies: Legislative Updates and Response to Legislation

Jennifer Beermuender gave an update on the district's inclusion of the state mandated inclusion of Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies in the curriculum. She explained that it is already incorporated into nearly every level, and with some additions, will be covered in every grade.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.