

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Curriculum Committee of the
Trumbull Board of Education

Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 12, 2026
Trumbull High School Conference Room

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order/Introduction. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Members Present

M. Petitti, BOE Curriculum Committee Chair
J. McNamee, BOE member
L. Nuland, BOE Member (via telephone)
S. Iwanicki, Ed.D. administrative designee

- II. Public Comment ~ One public comment was received by a student regarding the new AAPI law recently passed, incorporating various Asian American themes into curriculum; Dr. Iwanicki is meeting with the student and a team of people to listen to her presentation next week.
- III. Approve Minutes ~ Mrs. Pettit motioned to approve the 1/6/26 meeting minutes; Ms. McNamee seconded. Mrs. Nuland abstained. The motion passed.

IV. New Business

a. **Curriculum Guide Update - *Robotic I, Grades 10-12***

Mr. Cochrane and Mr. Amaturio presented the completed guide, explaining the various aspects of the course, including the basics of introduction to coding and engineering. Mrs. Petitti asked about the role of coding and AI; Mrs. McNamee asked about competing locally, cost of supplies and incorporated math standards. Mrs. Nuland expressed her amazement at the course. Dr. Iwanicki congratulated staff on the inclusion of Vision of the Graduate within the guide. Mr. Hoggatt mentioned the quality of the digital engineering notebook used in all Technology classes. Ms. McNamee motioned to approve the new Robotic I Curriculum Guide and bring it to the full Board for approval, Mrs. Nuland seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

b. **Curriculum Guide Update - *Digital Media 2, Grades 10-12***

Mr. Cochrane and Mr. Amaturio presented the completed guide for this new course, which extends Digital I. Students are in the THS TV studio for the 6 - 9-week production cycle. The completed product is fed into Trumbull's local TV channel available for viewing on YouTube. One of the department's goals is to make a video showcasing various THS course offerings. Mrs. Nuland motioned to approve the Digital Media 2 Curriculum Guide, and bring it to the full Board for approval. Ms. McNamee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. **Curriculum Guide Update - *Culinary 1, Grades 9-12***

Ms. Vittorio presented the revised curriculum guide. The students are learning with real world examples, and some principles have been removed as they are taught in Culinary II. The guide shifted “cultural” to a larger audience with a global range instead. The revisions also include labs in all 4 sections with hands-on activities incorporated. Ms. Vittorio also discussed the fundamentals of techniques included in the course, such as knife skills and sauce preparations. Mrs. Petitti asked about the hours of the restaurant and if the Board could sample the food. After discussion, Ms. McNamee motioned to approve the revised Culinary 1 Curriculum Guide and bring it to the full Board for approval, Mrs. Nuland seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

d. **Curriculum Guide New Course - *UConn Early College Experience Honors If You Love It, Teach It, Grades 11-12***

Ms. Richards presented the curriculum guide for this new course, which started last year. It has had a big impact on students; the class has included lots of guest speakers, visits to several of our elementary and middle schools, helping students to understand the progress of children’s learning in Kindergarten and forward. Student keep journal, student the history of education, and discuss current events that impact teaching and learning. Mr. Hoggatt mentioned the recent 8th-9th grade transition event where he talked about this class to potential recruit future students into enrolling in the course. Ms. Nuland motioned to approve the new *UConn Early College Experience Honors If You Love It, Teach It Curriculum Guide* and bring it to the full Board for approval, Ms. McNamee seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.