

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

February 27, 2017
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Werner, Chair
Mr. Michael Zamborik
Mr. Joseph Colosimo

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Donna Zariczny
Mr. Paul Mangione
Ms. Marcy Morgan
Ms. Amy Stewart
Dr. Norbert Kennerknecht
Mr. Gary Weber
Dr. Patricia Hawley

Mr. Jim Grosch
Ms. Rhonda Decker
Mr. Eric Mineweaser
Mr. Mike Kiehl
Mr. Rick Gignac
Mr. Matt Jones

Mr. Brian Collopy
Ms. Louise Tharp
Ms. Sue Turner
Ms. Melissa McLean
Members of the Public (15)
Ms. Stacey Gross (Times
Observer)

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Werner, Chair at 7:30 p.m. The agenda order was changed to allow Informational Item 4.4 to be first.

1.2 Public Comment - None

2. Old Business – None

3. New Business

3.1 **System 44 Next Generation Middle & High School Curriculum purchase**

Discussion: Dr. Hawley explained that the System 44 was piloted in grades 4 and 5 this school year and the program is working. Next year we will move forward with implementing Tier III in grades 6-12 which will require curricular resources to support the implementation. Funds received from the Rural and Low Income School Grant will be used to fund the curriculum.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: The Board of Directors approve the System 44 Next Generation Middle & High School Curriculum purchase, as presented.

3.2 iPad Purchase - Special Education Programming

Discussion: The iPad purchase is part of a replenishment program that will promote opportunities for students receiving Autistic, Emotional Disturbance and/or Life Skills Programming services to engage in one-to-one intensive, individualized instruction and skills practice.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: The Board of Directors approves the iPad Purchase (Special Education Programming), as presented.

3.3 System 44 Next Generation Supplemental Curriculum Resource Purchase

Discussion: Initial implementation of the WCSD MTSS (ELA) program occurred this school year. This request is to purchase three kits so there will be one available for each school to be used to complete the System 44 Special Education Program elementary curriculum resource needs.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: The Board of Directors approve the System 44 Next Generation Supplemental Curriculum Resource Purchase, as presented.

3.4 Read 180 Universal National Edition - Stages A, B & C

Discussion: Read 180 Universal is a Tier II reading intervention.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the purchase of Read 180 Universal National Edition in the amount of \$179,622.50 per the attached proposal.

3.5 Wilson Language Training (WLT) - PD for Just Words / Quote PDQ0001923

Discussion: This quote is to cover the cost to bring a trainer in for professional development training for Just Words.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the agreement with Wilson Language Training for professional development services per the attached proposal.

3.6 Planned Instruction Revision - Protective Services 00915 AM and 00965 PM

Discussion: The planned instruction and task grid has been updated to classify the program as a three year program per the recent PDE Chapter 339 audit.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the revision to the Protective Services Planned Instruction including updates to the textbook information.

3.7 Administrative Assisting Planned Instruction - 00930 AM and 00980 PM

Discussion: This agenda item and agenda item 3.11 *Planned Instruction Revision – Accounting 00900 AM & 00950 PM* are being presented as a direct result of the recent PDE Chapter 339 audit. The audit determined that the classes needed to be redesigned to represent actual programs instead of offering singleton classes. The revisions to these planned instructions also indicate updates in textbook information.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Administrative Assisting Planned Instruction including the textbook information.

3.8 Planned Instruction Revision - Multimedia Marketing Design 00912 AM & 00962 PM

Discussion: The planned instruction revision changes the program from a two year to a three year program. It also includes some updates on textbooks.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the revisions to the Multimedia Marketing Design Planned Instructions including updates to the textbook information.

3.9 Internet Consortium with IU5- ERATE

Discussion: Mr. Collopy reported that the District worked with the IU5 to procure internet services through consortium pricing. IU5 publically bid the consortium for all IU5 member districts. The IU5 reviewed quotes with each district, allowing the lowest cost bidder to be the award winner for each district. The winning bidder for the Warren County School District was Zito Media Communications. The bid affords our District a savings from previous years. The agreement will be with the IU and the IU will handle the eRate submission and reimburse us. Pending our solicitor's review and approval the item will be acted upon with the consent agenda at the next Board meeting.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the contract from IU5 to procure Internet Access services, RWAN connectivity and PAIU.net access for a term of 3 years, billed monthly at \$3074.18 from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 (per solicitor review).

3.10 Staff Development for Educators (SDE) Agreement for On-Site Trainer Aug. 30-31, 2017

Discussion: Mr. Dan St. Romain was a dynamic presenter for the District in the past and we cancelled his training last year due to the teachers' strike necessitating a change in our school calendar. This agreement will secure the dates for the upcoming August professional development sessions.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the Professional Development Agreement for on-site staff development training with Dan St. Romain on August 30-31, 2017.

3.11 Planned Instruction Revision - Accounting 00900 AM & 00950 PM

Discussion: This agenda item and agenda item 3.7 *Planned Instruction Revision – Administrative Assisting 00930 AM & 00980 PM* are being presented as a direct result of the recent PDE Chapter 339 audit. The audit determined that the classes needed to be redesigned to represent actual programs instead of offering singleton classes. The revisions to these planned instructions also indicate updates in textbook information.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the revisions to the Accounting Planned Instruction including updates to the textbook information.

3.12 Planned Instruction Revision - Computer Maintenance and Administration 00925 AM and 00975 PM

Discussion: The planned instruction revision changes the program from a two year to a three year program. There are no changes indicated for textbooks.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the revision to the Computer Maintenance and Administration Planned Instruction.

3.13 Smart Board Replacement Purchase

Discussion: The Smart Board Replacement Project is a budgeted expense for replacement of Smart Boards in classrooms across the District.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the quote from Whitlock under the COSTARS state contract for equipment and installation for 82 Smart Boards and associated accessories for the amount of \$213,304.00.

3.14 **Planned Instruction Revision - Welding Technology 00910 AM and 00960 PM**

Discussion: We offer a dual enrollment opportunity, referred to as Penn College NOW, in partnership with the Pennsylvania College of Technology. The new textbook listed in this planned instruction is the same textbook used by Penn College NOW.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the revision to the Welding Technology Planned Instruction including textbook information.

3.15 **GRANT: Dolly Parton Imagination Library Funding**

Discussion: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library fosters a love of reading among children and their families by providing them with the gift of a specially selected book each month, mailed directly to their homes. Mrs. Wagner, Assistant Principal at Youngsville Elementary Middle School is working with agencies in the area to develop this program and the Don Mills Achievement Center has agreed to partner with YEMS in administering it.

Action: Forward the motion to the next regular Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to assist the administration at Youngsville Elementary Middle School in securing funding to aid in establishing a Dolly Parton Imagination Library program for their area.

4. Informational Items

- 4.1 **ERATE Informational Update** – eRate is a program administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company under the direction of the Federal Communications Commission. It provides assistance to schools and libraries to obtain affordable telecommunications services and Internet access. Rules set forth by the eRate program, Federal Communications Commission, and Universal Service Administrative Company regarding the acceptance of gifts must appear in meeting minutes. Mr. Collopy shared the updated information.
- 4.2 **Recognition of School Counselors / School Counselor Month** – Mrs. Decker noted that February is National School Counselors month. She shared information on the role of school counselors. She acknowledged and thanked Mr. Menard, District Curriculum

Coordinator and School Counselor at WAEC for the work all the counselors do.

- 4.3 **Professional Development Offerings Update** – Mrs. Decker provided a handout for the committee members that highlighted the different professional development trainings and offerings that have been offered to staff this year. Dr. Hawley also offered comments relative to the number of special education trainings.
- 4.4 **Kindergarten ELA Data Update** - Mrs. Decker noted that last year the Board supported elementary research in how to improve reading instruction, particularly in the elementary grades. Through extensive research *Wilson Foundations* was chosen as the recommended program. The rollout began this year in kindergarten and next year it will be implemented in 1st and 2nd grades as a core phonics piece. Mrs. Decker was excited to have some principals and kindergarten teachers present to share the progress that has occurred this year. The overall theme from each presenter was that the students' scores have improved significantly over last year and the students are engaged and interested. The program is scripted and repetitive and there is consistency across the District. Mrs. Decker noted that there has been work with the preschool coalition and they have begun using some of the Foundations materials also. The presenters thanked the Board for purchasing Foundations. The teachers and administrators support and embrace the program.

5. Other

- 5.1 Mr. Zamborik gave a report on the WCCC.

6. Closing Activities

- 6.1 Next Meeting Date - Monday, March 27, 2017 following PACCA
- 6.2 Executive Session - None
- 6.3 Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.