

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 22, 2018

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Joseph Colosimo, via phone
Mr. Michael Zamborik
Ms. Mary Passinger, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Elizabeth Huffman	Ms. Melissa McLean
Mr. Jeffrey Labesky	Mr. Brian Ferry (WTO)
Ms. Marcy Morgan	Mr. Brian Reynolds
Mr. Arthur Stewart	Mr. Paul Crider
Ms. Donna Zariczny	Ms. Marcia Madigan
Ms. Ruth Huck	Ms. Jennifer Hobbs
Ms. Amy Stewart	Ms. Lynn Shultz
Mr. Gary Weber	Mr. Shannon Yeager
Mr. Jim Grosch	Mr. Jeff Flickner
Ms. Rhonda Decker	Ms. Amy Stimmell
Dr. Patricia Hawley	Mr. Joshua Vincent
Mr. Eric Mineweaser	Mr. James Case
Mr. Rick Gignac	Ms. Amy Beers
Ms. Sue Turner	Ms. Kim Yourchisin
Mr. Matt Jones	Mr. Jim Evers
Mr. Mike Kiehl	Ms. Jamie Doyle (Public Financial Management
Mr. Shane Flannery	Approximate Members of the Public - 8

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:23 PM by Chairperson, Mr. Joseph Colosimo via phone

1.2 Public Comment - None

2. Old Business – None

3. New Business – None

3.1 American Red Cross Provider Agreement

The agreement allows teachers to be instructors and allows students to receive certificates.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the **American Red Cross Provider Agreement**, as presented.

3.2 Warren Area High School Student Broadcast Studio Quote from Creative Learning Systems

This is part of the District's STEM initiative. The goal is to run some courses directly related to the TV broadcasts.

Discussion: Mrs. Mary Passinger questioned administration as to why the broadcast system is only happening in the Central Attendance Area. She also inquired if there are plans to put a broadcast system in the other attendance areas. Mrs. Rhonda Decker informed her that Warren Area Elementary Center has a pilot STEM Lab this year, with the expectation that we will be able to duplicate the program in the other schools in the future. Mr. Gary Weber explained that when administration looked at STEM initiatives, they looked at a couple of things: The goal was to start with Warren Area Elementary Center with the pilot STEM Lab and work our way up. The other goal was to get the broadcasting studio in at Warren Area High School, which administration thought would be beneficial because we could tailor the studio to coursework that ties in with the Warren County Career Center.

Mrs. Passinger asked what the difference is between STEM and STEAM. Mr. Weber said that the STEM initiative is changing all the time and there is now a STREAM to include reading. He assured the Board that math, science, reading and the arts are part of the STEM initiative.

Mr. Joe Colosimo asked if any of the design studios at EMHS, YHS, and WAHS would be interested in streaming the board meetings. Mr. Gary Weber said that one of the key components is PadCaster, which will stream live events.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the **Warren Area High School Student Broadcast Studio Quote and Timeline from Creative Learning Systems in the amount of \$79,250 using Committed Funds for STEM, which shall be transferred from Committed Fund Account 0830 to the General Fund for payment to be made out of the General Fund**, as presented.

3.3 System 44 Next Generation Curriculum Purchase

This is additional materials to support the implementation at the Youngsville treatment center for students, who are receiving their education at the RTF. Warren Area High School will be able to use this curriculum to support their life skills students.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on November 5, 2018

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **System 44 Next Generation Curriculum Purchase**, as presented.

3.4 2016-2017 School-Based ACCESS Program Billing Agreement

The school-based cost settlement is a year or more behind. This reimbursement is coming to the district. We will bill the IU for services already rendered and they will reimburse us for those services.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on November 5, 2018

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **2016-2017 School-Based ACCESS Program Billing Agreement**, as presented.

3.5 2018-2019 Forest Area School District Agreement

This is the second year that administration has presented this agreement to the Board. Last year, we were providing services for a Forest student to access programming in our District. This year we are presenting it to the Board as a “swap”. We are providing services for a Forest Area School District student in our county and one of our residents is receiving services at Forest Area School District.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board Meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **2018-2019 Forest Area School District Agreement**, as presented.

3.6 GRANT: McDonald's Make Activities Count (MAC) Classroom Activities Grant

This is an annual grant, sponsored by McDonald's, which provides up to \$500 for projects and activities. The grants were due Oct 14.

Discussion: There was no discussion

Action: Forward the motion to the Board Meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **GRANT: McDonald's Make Activities Count (MAC) Classroom Activities Grant**, as presented.

3.7 GRANT: S. Knox Harper Grant 2018-2019

This is an annual grant, which awards up to \$1,500 per project. Projects are centered around outdoor and conservation activities. This grant is due November 30, 2018.

Discussion: There was no discussion

Action: Forward the motion to the Board Meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **GRANT: S. Knox Harper Grant 2018-2019**, as presented.

3.8 GRANT: School Safety and Security Grant 2018-19

This application has a merit award of \$25,000 to expand School Resource Officer (SRO) hours. It also has a competitive award of \$73,418 for Stop the Bleed and Automated External Defibrillators (AED's).

Discussion: There was no discussion

Action: Forward the motion to the Board Meeting on November 5, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **GRANT: School Safety and Security Grant 2018-19**, as presented.

3.9 GRANT: Northern Allegheny Outdoor Women's Association Outdoor Grants

This is an annual grant, which provides up to \$250 for understanding appreciation of the outdoors projects.

Discussion: There was no discussion

Action: Forward the motion to the Board Meeting on November 8, 2018.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the **GRANT: Northern Allegheny Outdoor Women's Association Outdoor Grants**, as presented.

4. Informational Items

4.1 Warren County School District Virtual Program

Mrs. Decker opened the floor for additional questions regarding the virtual academy program. Mrs. Passinger asked if the teachers teaching virtual academy courses are getting a supplemental. Mrs. Decker said that if a teacher is teaching the course(s) outside their regular hours, that they receive a supplemental.

4.2 Advisory Informational Report

Mr. Mineweaser provided handouts to the Board members, which gives an overview of Advisory. The report shows the goals the district envisioned in relation to Advisory. As soon as items come in, Administration is providing supplies and filling orders to the teachers. Feedback is continuous and ongoing. Adjustments are occurring as needed.

5. Other

Discussion: 5.1 Other

Mr. Mike Zamborik gave information to Mr. Jim Evers for the Warren County Career Center regarding machine tech and pre-engineering. Perkins award furnished a machine.

Mrs. Rhonda Decker informed the Board about the Angst video, which was shown to all K-12 teachers and staff throughout the District. Kari Swanson, from Beacon Light, made the movie possible through her organization called Core. The movie has created a lot of positive conversation. Families have attended community events in each area. There have been many positive comments from parents and students. The majority of our students in grades 6-12, as well as grade 5 at Beaty Warren Middle School, have watched the video. Teachers have shared positive feedback and feel it has helped them further understand student behaviors. What they thought was misbehavior might be anxiety or nervousness. It is a nice partnership with our providers, community, teachers, staff and students. In November, students in grade 9-12 will attend an assembly regarding mental health. Kari Swanson's Core organization is providing the speaker.

Mr. Arthur Stewart brought up a discussion regarding marching band and musical experience. He went to a conference and saw a band where two districts combined their football team and marching bands together in order to provide a positive experience. He would like to go to those school districts and speak with them regarding their program to see if our district can draw ideas from their program to benefit Warren County School District students.

6. Closing Activities

6.1 Next Meeting Date – Monday, November 19, 2018, following PACCA

6.2 Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.