

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

January 25, 2021

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Joseph Colosimo, Committee Chairperson  
Mrs. Mary Passinger, Committee Member  
Mrs. Marcy Morgan, Serving as Committee Member Pro Tem

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mrs. Elizabeth Huffman, Committee Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jeffrey Labesky	Mrs. Lynn Shultz
Mr. Kevin Lindvay	Mrs. Ruth Huck
Mr. Paul Mangione	Mr. Chris Byham
Mrs. Marcy Morgan	Mr. Rick Gignac
Mr. Arthur Stewart	Mr. Matt Jones
Mrs. Donna Zariczny	Mr. Mike Kiehl
Mrs. Amy Stewart	Mr. Louise Tharp
Dr. Norbert Kennerknecht	Mr. Brian Ferry (WTO)
Mr. Gary Weber	Mrs. Ericka Alm
Mr. Jim Grosch	
Dr. Patty Hawley	
Mr. Eric Mineweaser	

Approx. # of Public Present - 28

**1. Opening Activities**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Committee Chairperson, Mr. Joseph Colosimo, called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM

**1.2 Public Comment – None**

**2. Old Business**

**2.1 Other – None**

### **3. New Business**

#### **3.1 Pearson Digital Assessment Library Renewal**

This is a renewal for the digital assessment library through Pearson. Our school psychologists related service providers such as speech language use it to assess students during the evaluation process.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Pearson Digital Assessment Library Renewal, as presented.

#### **3.2 Middle and Secondary Level Course Description Books – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

There were no changes at the middle level. At the secondary level, we had some additions and removals of courses.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Mary Passinger questioned why courses are dropped. Mr. Mineweaser stated that the curriculum coordinators work with the teachers to decide what eliminations need made according to student participation in elective courses. Mr. Mineweaser stated if she is referring to the elimination of courses such as the career center, it's due to lack of participation.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Middle and Secondary Level Course Description Books, as presented.

#### **3.3 Warren County Career Center Course Eliminations – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

Due to lack of student participation, Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science and Accounting Technology/Technician & Bookkeeping are being removed from the course selection at the Warren County Career Center.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Warren County Career Center Course Eliminations, as presented.

#### **3.4 Social Studies Planned Instruction – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

Two courses had revisions and one course is new.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Social Studies Planned Instruction, as presented.

**3.5 Computer Planned Instruction Revision – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

There was one minor revision removing a textbook to use online resources.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Computer Planned Instruction Revision, as presented.

**3.6 English Language Arts Planned Instruction Revisions – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

These courses for Library and English Language Arts had some minor revisions.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the English Language Arts Planned Instruction Revisions, as presented.

**3.7 Life Skills Planned Instruction – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

Part of the Comprehensive Plan revision requires planned instruction for Life Skills.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Life Skills Planned Instruction, as presented.

**3.8 Virtual Planned Instruction – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo**

These are elective courses for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Virtual Planned Instruction, as presented.

**3.9 PowerSchool eSchoolPlus Customizations Maintenance & Support**

This is a support agreement for part of eSchool.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the PowerSchool eSchoolPlus Customizations Maintenance & Support, as presented.

### **3.10 Virtual Academy Workbooks for Option 1 Grades K-5**

This purchase would enable students to move into the virtual platform immediately, if there is a school closure during the second semester.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Elizabeth Huffman asked if the books are a one-time use or if we can get multiple years out of them. Mrs. Lynn Shultz stated they were consumable, but any book not used by a student this year would be used next year.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the Virtual Academy Workbooks for Option 1 Grades K-5, as presented.

### **3.11 GRANT: ESSER School Health & Safety Grant**

This is a COVID CARES sponsored grant for \$120,803. The due date was January 20, 2021 and award notification should be by mid-February 2021.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the GRANT: ESSER School Health & Safety Grant, as presented.

### **3.12 GRANT: Supplemental Equipment Grant - WCCC**

This is a Career and Technical Education Supplemental Equipment Grant program through the Pennsylvania Department of Education to purchase equipment meeting industry standards.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Action:** Forward the motion to the Board meeting on February 8, 2021.

**Motion:** That the Board of School Directors approves the GRANT: Supplemental Equipment Grant - WCCC, as presented.

#### **4. Informational Items**

- 4.1 Citizenship Folders** – All Citizenship Portfolio folders for Social Studies are now built within the Virtual Academy, giving students an electronic portfolio similar to the College and Career Readiness course.
- 4.2 Student Scheduling** – Mrs. Lynn Shultz asked elementary principals to send a link to parents via Facebook and other means to get an idea of how many K-5 students would be returning to brick and mortar, and which students are still considering full time virtual so we have an idea of the number of students when staffing occurs. Scheduling for students in grades 6-8 is approximately 85% complete. Students in grades 9-12 will be completing their scheduling online during the next few weeks.
- 4.3 LanSchool Classic** – This is a teacher-monitoring tool and testing security system that rolled out for grades 9-12 finals the week of January 18<sup>th</sup>. By February 15<sup>th</sup>, it will be available for grades 6-8 teachers.
- 4.4 Other**

#### **5. Other**

- 5.1 Presidential Inaugurations** – Mr. Joseph Coloismo had a few parent requests to allow students, regardless of what class they are in, to be able to watch the inaugurations of future presidents for the historical moment. Teachers did a great job explaining the inauguration as to what it was and how it worked. Some teachers and parents thought it might be nice for students to watch it. Board members agreed. Mrs. Amy Stewart advised there is a district policy on this that may need a review. Mrs. Donna Zariczny stated the seven-year plan for textbooks indicates we have Social Studies coming up and that Mr. Mineweaser should put the policy review on his radar for that time.
- 5.2 Other**

#### **6. Closing Activities**

- 6.1 Next Meeting** – Monday, February 22, 2021 – 6:00 PM
- 6.2 Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Edie Gardner, Secretary to Director  
Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology Committee