

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 25, 2021

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Joseph Colosimo, Committee Chairperson
Mrs. Mary Passinger, Committee Member
Mrs. Elizabeth Huffman, Committee Member

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

All Present

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Jeffrey Labesky
Mr. Kevin Lindvay
Mr. Paul Mangione
Mrs. Marcy Morgan
Mr. Arthur Stewart
Mrs. Donna Zariczny
Mrs. Amy Stewart
Mr. Gary Weber
Mr. Jim Grosch
Dr. Patty Mead
Mr. Eric Mineweaser
Mrs. Lynn Shultz
Mrs. Ruth Huck
Mr. Rick Gignac
Mr. Matt Jones

Mr. Mike Kiehl
Mr. Brian Ferry (WTO)
Mr. Brian Reynolds
Mrs. Ericka Alm
Ms. Betsy Sobkowski
Mr. Glenn Smith
Mrs. Shelly Wagner
Mrs. Amy Stimmell
Mr. Joshua Vincent
Mrs. Liz Kent
Ms. Kylie Harris
Mrs. Amy Beers
Mrs. Kim Yourchisin
Mr. Jim Evers
Mr. Paul Crider
Mrs. Misty Weber
Approx. # of Public Present – 10

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

Committee Chairperson, Mr. Joseph Colosimo, called the meeting to order at 6:21 PM

1.2 Public Comment – None

2. Old Business

2.1 Other – None

3. New Business

3.1 PowerSchool License and Subscription Fees – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This subscription will allow the ability to complete electronic signatures in the Office of Pupil Services Department.

Discussion: No discussion.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the PowerSchool Special Programs Digital Signature Hosted license and subscription fees, as presented.

3.2 PowerSchool License and Subscription Renewal – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This is the annual renewal for the PowerSchool License and Subscription.

Discussion: No discussion.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the quote from PowerSchool for Licenses and Subscriptions, as presented.

3.3 Gov Connection Quote 25237517.02 – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This Gov Connection Quote is for the purchase of computers that will be used by students who need a computer at home designated by a survey that was completed. The district has been approved for ECF funds that cover the cost of this purchase.

Discussion: No discussion.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Gov Connection quote 25237517.02, as presented.

3.4 Northern Pennsylvania Regional College Lease Agreement – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Northern Pennsylvania Regional College Agreement to utilize space at the Warren County Career Center. This agreement will begin January 2022 and run through December 2022.

Discussion: No discussion.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Lease Agreement between Northern Pennsylvania Regional College and the Warren County School District, as presented.

3.5 Voyager Sopris Learning – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This quote from Voyager Sopris Learning is for Step Up To Writing which will be used to improve our writing achievement for all grade levels.

Discussion: This writing initiative was used in the elementary level and due to great success, it would be beneficial for all grade levels.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Voyager Sopris Learning Quote in the amount of \$14,055.40 for Step up to Writing, as presented.

3.6 Warren County School District Chapter 339 Plan – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

The Warren County School District Chapter 339 Plan is reviewed and revised as needed by the counselors each year.

Discussion: No discussion.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Warren County District Chapter 339 Plan, as presented.

3.7 GRANT: ARP ESSER III Learning Loss Set-Aside

This grant in the amount of \$682,000.00 will be used to address social, emotional, and mental health needs of student's professional development.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to Other for the Board meeting on November 8, 2021.

Motion: The Board of School Directors instructs the administration to develop and submit an application to the ARP ESSER Learning Loss Set-Aside Grant to provide staffing and other support to address learning loss among district students.

3.8 GRANT: ARP-HCY Homeless II Grant

This grant in the amount of \$71,000.00 will provide funding to support the specific needs of homeless children and youth.

Discussion: If this grant is approved an additional partnership agreement would be coming forth from the EOC to assist families with permanent housing.

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to develop and submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education ARP-HCY Homeless II grant to provide social work supports through the summer of 2024, as well as housing assistance and school supplies to identified students.

3.9 GRANT: Cummins Grant Cycle 2022 (over \$5,000.00)

This is a grant that will be used to purchase equipment for the Warren County Career Center that will cost \$5,000.00 or more.

Discussion: No Discussion

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit and application to the Cummins Grant Cycle 2022 for purchase of a desktop mill for use in the Warren County Career Center Machine Technology Program of Study.

3.10 GRANT: Cummins Grant Cycle 2022 (under \$5,000.00)

This is a grant that will be used to purchase equipment for the Warren County Career Center that will cost \$5,000.00 or less.

Discussion: No Discussion

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

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit an application to the Cummins Grant Cycle 2022 for the purchase of a track burner for use in the Warren County Career Center Welding Program of Study.

4. Informational Items

4.1 Assignments for Students Denied Entry to School

Procedures have been written for all students that are denied entry to school. The procedures include a list of teachers that are available during portions of the day who can assist students who are temporarily denied entry to school. During discussion several thoughts were shared, and suggestions were presented as possible options for future consideration.

4.2 BrainFuse Online Tutoring Update

BrainFuse is an online Tutoring Program available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to all Warren County School District Students. The usage report shows that students have been

utilizing this tutoring option. An updated usage report will be provided at the next board meeting.

4.3 Other

Comments made in support of all Warren County School District Board Members, Administration, and Staff for their continued efforts during this challenging time.

5. Other

5.1 Other

Discussion on the future motion from Arthur Stewart that the Board of School Directors approves continued contract tracing and informing students of close contact, so that if they want to act on that, they have the benefit of the information and for both vaccinated and unvaccinated masked students, they will not be denied entry, if for the 10-day period, they, in the morning, pass a symptoms test prior to coming to school.

6. Closing Activities

6.1 Next Meeting – Monday, November 22nd following PACCA.

6.2 Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Shellie Olsen, Secretary to Director
Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology Committee