

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 27, 2023

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Joseph Colosimo, Committee Chairperson
Mr. Jeffery Dougherty, Serving as Committee Member Pro Tem
Mrs. Mary Passinger, Committee Member

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mrs. Marcy Morgan

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Cody Brown
Mr. Kevin Lindvay
Mr. Paul Mangione
Mr. Arthur Stewart
Mrs. Donna Zariczny
Mrs. Amy Stewart
Mr. Gary Weber
Mr. Jim Grosch
Dr. Patricia Mead
Mr. Eric Mineweaser
Mrs. Lynn Shultz
Mrs. Taylor Trisket
Mr. Matt Jones
Mrs. Jennifer Dilks
Mr. Mike Kiehl
Mrs. Leslie Bloomgren
Mr. David Undercoffer
Mr. Brian Ferry
Mr. Jeffrey Flickner
Mrs. Liz Kent

Mr. Shawn Bedow
Mr. Adam VanOrd
Mrs. Amy Beers
Mr. Brian Reynolds
Mrs. Betsy Sobkowski
Mrs. Erika Alm
Mr. Glenn Smith
Mrs. Heather Stover
Mr. Jason Markiewicz
Mrs. Jennifer Hobbs
Ms. Kim Yourchisin
Mr. Joshua Vincent
Mrs. Julia Murphy
Mrs. Kylie Harris
Mrs. Lisa Smith
Mr. Mike Craddock
Mrs. Misty Weber
Mrs. Nova Holeva
Mrs. Paul Crider
Mrs. Shelly Wagner
Approx Public Present 65

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

Committee Chairperson, Mr. Joseph Colosimo, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

1.2 Public Comment – None

2. Old Business

2.1 Other – None

3. New Business

3.1 ClassLink renewal licenses – Invoice e-113494 – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This is the renewal license for ClassLink.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the ClassLink renewal license and ClassLink Rosters Hosting renewal license from 5/1/2023 to 4/30/2024, as presented.

3.2 SchoolInfoApp, LLC contract termination request 6.30.23 – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This is a request to terminate the contract for SchoolInfoApp.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the request of termination of 6/30/2023 with SchoolInfoApp, LLC, as presented.

3.3 Dual Enrollment Agreement with Pennsylvania Western University – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This is the Dual Enrollment Agreement with Pennsylvania Western University. Due to the name change with Clarion University this was needed.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Dual Enrollment Agreement with Pennsylvania Western University, as presented.

3.4 Early Childhood Education Agreement with NPRC – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

This is the Early Childhood Education Agreement with NPRC. This is another Dual Enrollment agreement for the new program that will be starting at the Career Center next year.

Discussion: Mrs. Mary Passinger asked the question regarding credits and if a certificate is involved. Mr. Eric Mineweaser explained that the students that enroll in this program at the Career Center can earn up to 9 credits total towards their college education.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Early Childhood Education Agreement with NPRC, as presented.

3.5 2023 Handle with Care Agreement & Purchase – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Annual training is required to ensure the quality of training and to update Participants/Instructors on any refinements or changes in the technology. Annual training is required for the entity to maintain its license to use and copy Handle with Care's program and materials.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2023 Handle with Care Agreement & Purchase, as presented.

3.6 2023-2025 The Meadows Psychiatric Center Agreement – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

In order to facilitate continuity of care when serving students enrolled in the Warren County School District the 2023-2025 Meadows Psychiatric Center Agreement establishes efforts to support referral, treatment, discharge planning, and establishing supports when serving students enrolled in the Warren County School District.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2023-2025 The Meadows Psychiatric Center Agreement, as presented.

3.7 Renaissance myON Purchase – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

myON is a student-centered, personalized digital library that gives students access to more than 7,000 enhanced digital books in the core collection. Titles are dynamically matched to each individual student's interests, grade and reading level. Combined with a suite of close reading tools and embedded supports, myON fosters student engagement and achievement.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Renaissance myON Purchase, as presented.

3.8 Vision Screener Instrument Purchase – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

The Warren County SD Office of Pupil Services Department of School Nursing gathered four quotes for the purchase of the vision screener instruments. The Office of Pupil Services recommends purchasing the vision screener instruments from School Health. School Health is the only vendor that offers the model with the electronic pointing system that would benefit in screening our younger students and some of our other populations (students with medical, learning, or mental health disabilities). The model in the recommended purchase also has a control panel and includes a carrying case (not purchased separately, thus eliminates additional expenses to purchase carrying cases).

Discussion: There was a question asked if any grant money was going to be used towards this purchase. Dr. Patricia Mead she believes that the grant that was wrote by Mr. Matt Jones is for vision screening equipment is specific to the Career Center.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the Vision Screener Instrument Purchase, as presented.

3.9 GRANT: Dual Credit Grant 2022-24 – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

Dual Credit Grant are being offered by state for up to \$75,000.00 which could benefit the Career Center and the Warren County School District.

Discussion: No discussion.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to develop and submit an application to the Dual Credit Grant program on behalf of either or both the Warren County School District and Warren County Career Center to create or expand equitable and innovative dual credit opportunities for students.

3.10 GRANT: 2023-24 Highmark Foundation School Grants and Awards Program – CIT – Mr. Joseph Colosimo

There are two different grants one is for physical health, social health, and school-based health for up to \$7,500.00. The second grant is a matching grant for up to \$1,000.00 of help provides specific items that impact a child's overall health. Also, there is an equipment grant for vision screeners, digital scales, and such.

Discussion: Mr. Joseph Colosimo mentioned that if you haven't taken the opportunity to look at the Grant report, he encourages you to do so. It's on every Finance Committee report, and this will also be seen on the Board Meeting. The Warren County School District does apply for a tremendous amount, and we're pretty darn successful. The effort that is put into the grants is appreciated as it does help everybody out. Mr. Jeffery Dougherty mentioned that the grant report said more than five million dollars in grants that had been applied for and more than three million received.

Action: Forward the motion to the Board meeting on March 13, 2023.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to work with interested staff and buildings to write and submit applications to the Highmark Foundation School Grants and Awards program for eligible programs.

4. Informational Items

4.1 Informational Report College and Career Readiness

Mr. Eric Mineweaser mentioned that this is an informational report for college and career readiness. Again, this is another requirement from PDE. In relation to all the schools in the commonwealth they must participate in. We report out each year on fifth, eighth, and eleventh grade. We must keep an eye on those grade levels to ensure that the college and career activities are completed, and I just wanted to give you an idea where our seniors are right now. Why am I showing you the seniors? Because it is a graduation requirement as well? So, they must complete those and get that credit to graduate. We're at a 92% completion rate right now with our seniors, which is pretty good. Sometimes they might be our virtual students. We get a hold of them because the ones we have in school, you know we can get them and ensure those activities are completed. The junior class looks a little bit low right now, and I would be alarmed but a lot of our juniors only have one activity left to do, but they are the grade level we do report out on, and for the State the completion rate that is required for each district is 98%, so we need to really make sure we buckle down and work hard to get to that to that percentage completion rate.

4.2 Informational Report Graduation Pathways

Mr. Eric Mineweaser shared that this is new for those that may not know. Act 158 is a Graduation Pathway Requirement also. This starts with the Class of 2023. There are five different pathways. A waiver can be applied for if a student enrolls this year as a senior. The completion rate for the seniors right now is a 91% those that have yet to meet a pathway the counselors are working hard. Most likely when this is the case, they will be doing the evidence-based pathway a lot of times that will include at least one Service Learning Project. We try to get them an industry-based credential, like first aid/CPR.

4.3 Robotics

Mr. Eric Mineweaser shared that Mr. Art Anderson from BWMS has two teams from the Robotics Club that qualified for the state championship that will be held at Clarion University on March 10th. This is the second year for the Robotics Club.

4.4 Other

Mrs. Amy Stewart welcomed the school resource officers and Olive, stating we are blessed to have the relationship with the sheriff's department that we do and have the presence within our Warren County Schools. Having school resource officers in our schools will be reviewed to see what may be needed in the future.

5. Other

5.1 Other

6. Closing Activities

6.1 Next Meeting – Monday, March 27, 2023

6.2 Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

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