



Wyomissing Area School District

630 Evans Avenue, Wyomissing PA 19610

Curriculum/Technology Committee

Monday, March 6, 2017

Community Board Room

Committee Chair: **Laurie Waxler**

Committee Members: **Susan Larkin and Maria Ziolkowski**

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Laurie Waxler, Susan Larkin, Jennafer Reilly, Maria Ziolkowski and Ryan Redner

Committee Members Absent: none

Public Attendees: Sign-in sheet attached

Meeting called to order by Laurie Waxler at 11:04 am

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve the Curriculum and Technology minutes for Monday, February 6, 2017
- Vote: Motion Carried
- Resolved: Minutes from the meeting on Friday, February 6, 2017 were approved without modifications.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Mathematics Instructional Resources - Update

Crisanne Bansner presented the textbook request for Academic Calculus resources being proposed for the 2017-2018 school year. The resources include a classroom set of 11 print copies and 50 digital licenses for 6 years. The total cost for the resources is \$6,945 (this is a budgeted expense for the 2017-2018 school year).

JSHS English Department Summer Reading List

During the February meeting, Mr. Comerford presented the new 8th grade Summer reading books (*Ghost*, *The 7th Most Important Thing*, *A Time to Dance*, and *I Will Always Write Back*). The proposed titles were approved by the board on February 13, 2017. The new titles have been added to the JSHS Summer Reading list. The complete JSHS Summer Reading list was distributed to the committee for review. The list will be on the board agenda for approval on March 13, 2017.

STEAM Innovation Design Plan - Update

Debrief Site Visit – On March 2, board members and administrators participated in a site visit at Wilson High School. During the visit we were able to see the Tech & Engineering wing of the HS, the iSTEM lab and the Discovery classroom at Whitfield Elementary. We were also able to see how Wilson infused Project Lead the Way as their planned curriculum. Our next step is to work with the STEAM Ad Hoc Committee to determine our Wyo vision for STEM programming utilizing the Carnegie STEM Excellence Pathway tool. The tool provides us with a process for assessing our current STEM programming and create a practical plan for implementation.

STEAM Ad Hoc Committee

There will be a planning meeting for the STEAM Ad Hoc Committee, on March 29. This meeting will include stakeholder representatives. During the planning meeting, we will determine our district STEM vision. The full ad hoc committee will meet on April 7 to complete the Carnegie STEM Excellence Pathway tool. The tool is a self-assessment instrument that will enable the committee to review teacher development, curriculum, instructional practices, assessment and demonstration of skills, family engagement and real-world connections. After completing the assessment, the committee will identify three priority areas and formulate a timeline and action plan to address the priority areas.

WREC Technology Integration - Update

Mr. Arnst provided an update on the WREC Technology Enhancement project sharing a slideshow of the student meeting, digital citizenship commitment, and device deployment. Information Technology Staff and Interns were on hand to provide assistance as needed. The deployment and login process proceeded without any issues and both students and teachers were excited to put their training to good use. The next staff training is scheduled for March 29.

New Business:

JSHS Student Technical Support Center

Mr. Arnst shared a new initiative to support the JSHS students and teachers in the 1:1 program. In collaboration with Mr. Redcay, Assistant Principal, an online Schoology resource page with tutorials of common issues to support students has launched. The page also provides increased communication on intern hours, device repairs, and devices ready to be deployed.

Professional Development Training Agreement with Teaching Learning Succeeding, LLC

The administrative team proposed contracting with Teaching Learning Succeeding, LLC to provide Professional Development for administrators and teachers on Differentiated Instruction. The goal of the training will be to increase instructional acuity to know when and how to differentiate and to learn strategies to utilize when adapting instructional content, process, products, or the learning environment to the needs of students. The training will be provided during the 2017-2018 school year. Specific dates to be determined.

Field Trip Requests

PMEA State Festival (Erie, PA - April 19 -22)

Announcements: None

Adjournment: 12:00 pm

Next Meeting Date: Monday, April 3, 2017

Respectfully submitted by Lynette Waller, Assistant Superintendent