

Board of Education
Newtown, CT
Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee

Minutes of the Board of Education Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee meeting held on October 14, 2016 at 11 a.m., in the Board of Education Conference Room, 3 Primrose Street.

J Vouros

M. Ku

J. Evans Davila

J. Vouros called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

M. Ku made a motion to approve the September 29, 2016 minutes and J. Vouros seconded.

Public Participation: None

J. Evans Davila and L. Rodrigue discussed the training in the concept-based curriculum model which was provided in September and October to identified staff in key roles as part of the Assistant Superintendent's district plan for curriculum development and professional learning. This training was designed by L. Rodrigue and Newtown High School English teacher K. Swift, who served as a co-facilitator for a number of sessions. The introductory level training was provided to all members of after-school curriculum committees in the core subject areas of English, Social Studies, Math, and Science. Training was provided also to members of the Curriculum Council and administrators. After the discussion, L. Rodrigue, then, presented an abbreviated version of the training session to M. Ku and J. Vorous to inform their work in reviewing curriculum documents which are sent by the C & I Subcommittee to the full BOE as part of the approval process. After the presentation, J. Vorous and M. Ku followed with questions related to how the training was received by staff and the work currently being done by teachers in the classrooms. L. Rodrigue and J. Evans Davila responded that staff was enthusiastic about the work, noting that several teachers requested that this training be continued to all staff as a focus of future district professional development on a long-term basis.

Open Discussion: None

Public Participation: None

J. Vouros motioned to adjourn the meeting. M. Ku seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Schaedler

These are draft minutes and are subject to the approval of the Curriculum and Instruction Committee

