

Newtown Board of Education
Newtown, Connecticut
Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee

Minutes from the Board of Education Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee held on December 13, 2017 in the BOE Conference Room.

J. Evans Davila J. Vouros M. Ku A. Uberti J. Beaudry J. Fonovic D. Roach A. Marks
J. Vouros called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

J. Vouros motioned to approve the minutes from the November 29, 2018 meeting.
M. Ku seconded the motion.

Public participation: None

Anne Uberti presented a new course pilot application for RIS entitled, Integrated STEM 5 and Integrated STEM 6. This program would be an extension of existing science, math and technology that allows for the creative application of skills and concepts taught in the existing curriculum. All fifth and sixth graders would participate in the course one instructional period in a six day cycle throughout the entire school year. This course would require the addition of 1.0 FTE certified teacher, which has been accounted for through reallocation of existing resources. Cost for planning and future implementation would be the writing of curriculum and start-up supplies for use in projects. An update on the progress of the program and the students would be provided to the BOE by RIS administration in mid-year and end-of-year 2018-2019

Abi Marks and D. Roach presented the revised English II (10th grade) Curriculum to the committee explaining that it is now written in Concept-based format. The course will now consist of 4 units, intended to move chronologically, with common summative assessments for each unit. A. Marks stated that more specific focus will be placed on argument and rhetorical analysis in second semester to prepare students for the SATs.

J. Evans Davila gave an update stating that she is hoping to bring the K-1 Math Curriculum and possibly Project Adventure Curriculum to the next C and I meeting on January 11, 2018. This will be dependent on readiness for K-12 Curriculum Council.

Public participation: None

J. Vouros motioned to adjourn at 10:55 a.m.
M. Ku seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Bennett

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