

Curriculum Committee Meeting

BFA Principal's Conference Room

January 21, 2016

8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:30am by Sally Lindberg.

2. Approval of Minutes – [November 12, 2015](#)

Motion to approve by Jeff Morrill, seconded by Sally Lindberg. Approved 2-0.

3. Inservice Overview November 23-24

Shannon Warden handed out inservice agendas and describe literacy carousel activity (sharing literacy strategies). Carousel was very well-received by teachers. Departments worked on curriculum maps during this time as well, and a Global Studies example was shared with the committee. These will be living documents that can be shared across teachers, and eventually parents during conferences. Departments are currently in the process of looking across the maps and doing a gap analysis to ensure proficiencies are covered. Matrix is being developed to track this. Chris Mosca added that the faculty also formally adopted the 5 transferable skills as their academic expectations, which supports NEASC accreditation. Preston Randall reported on a presentation focused on transgender education. The presentation addressed legal issues, resources, and discussion about curriculum implications. Preston Randall also reported on a presentation focused on Reality Therapy for paraeducators. This was facilitated by Preston Randall and Chris Mosca. The school has been working on this model for three years and now it is in full implementation.

4. Proficiency-Based Learning

Jesse Byers shared an update on proficiency-based learning, specifically the responsibility of the local board to approve a policy on graduation requirements. Two examples policies were discussed. This will be brought to the policy committee in February or March and then must be approved by the local board.

5. Annual Report

Chris Mosca passed out the district annual report and pointed out highlights. It is intended to be a reflection of what happens here, showing inclusiveness and opportunity. Questions were discussed around how it is distributed to the public, including teachers and community members. This week's BFA Experience was also discussed.

6. Data Team Update

Preston Randall updated the board on the data team's work. Subgroups are looking at discipline, attendance, and failure rate data. The team is now reconfiguring the subgroups in order to look at correlations across different types of data. The goal is to have more students more successful, and analyzing the data will be helpful in moving towards this goal.

7. Next Meeting Date

February 18, 2016, 8:30-9:30am

- Discussion of advisory committees
- Legalization of marijuana

8. Adjourn

Jeff Morrill made motion to adjourn, Sally Lindberg seconded it. Adjourned at 9:30am.