

East Greenbush Central School District

COMMITTEE FOR CURRICULUM STUDY (CCS)

Columbia High School – Library Classroom

Wednesday, January 11, 2017 – 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE

John Caporta, Principal, Red Mill
Frank DiDonato, Math Department Chairperson
Melissa Dupont, Reading 6-12 Department Chairperson
Steve Ford, CTE Chairperson
Katrín Gruet, CHS Business Teacher
Scott Halliday, Music Department Chairperson
Patty Hannmann, Foreign Language Department Chairperson
Elizabeth Hart, Teacher, DPS Elementary School
Sarah Hoffman, Interim Assistant Principal, Columbia High School
Chris Hosley, Physical Education Department Chairperson
Christine Kawczak, CHS Math Teacher
Tammy Kirwin, Goff Special Education Teacher
Lisa Mahar, Teacher, Red Mill Elementary School
Brian Marsh, CAP Department Chairperson
Wendy McAlonie, Social Studies Department Chairperson
Allison Milazzo, Guidance Department Chairperson
Andrea Neiman, CHS Art Department Chairperson
Thomas O'Hara, Director of Technology
Lynne Pampel, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Tom Ross, Science Department Chairperson
Carol Willis, Elementary Reading Department Chairperson

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (11/16/16)

Motion to approve: Frank DiDonato

Second: Brian Marsh

Motion to proceed without a quorum: Frank DiDonato

Second: Melissa Dupont

3. CURRICULUM TREASURER'S REPORT

NA

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2016-2017 Subcommittee Reports

- Foreign Language (P. Hannmann)
 - P. Hannmann shared the program strengths and accomplishments as part of the review process.

- Career and Technical Education Timeline for Review (L. Pampel)
- b. New Math Book Proposal (W.Grignon)
Tabled until February. In February, the CCS will approve the proposal for the March BOE meeting.
- c. New Textbook Selection
NA
- d. Calendar for Curriculum Writing Proposals and Sub-Committee Meeting Date
 - All proposals need to be submitted by February 28, 2017.
 - Forms and process outline were provided to the principals in electronic and hard copies for distribution.
 - Principals must sign and approve all proposals before being sent to C & I.
 - Signed proposals may be sent in hard copy or scanned and sent electronically.
 - The March Committee for Curriculum Studies meeting will be postponed for the entire committee and reserved for the sub-committee to assemble and approve proposals.

Motion to approve: Brian Marsh
Second: Frank DiDonato
- e. Project Lead the Way Computer Integrated Manufacturing Course Approval
 - The committee reviewed the series of existing PLTW courses; Introduction to Engineering and Principals of Engineering.
 - Computer Integrated Manufacturing was selected as the third course for CCS approval as a result of the CTE/STEM Program Review.
 - Steve Ford reviewed materials needs and sequencing of courses

Motion to approve: Steve Ford
Second: Wendy McAlonie
- f. K-12 Science Standards Planning Update (L. Pampel)
 - Jane King from Questar BOCES is scheduled to work with several Science Committee members to help them develop a K-12 curriculum writing proposal for summer to prepare for the NGSS.
 - Jane King will be coming into the March half day planning meeting to help develop a multi-year plan.
- h. Curriculum Project Presentations
 - Google Applications in Education for Parent and Student Training (Donna Shepardson)
 - Google Application in Education for Faculty Training (Donna.Shepardson)
 - IT Essentials (Katrina Gruet)
 - CCNA I, II (Christina Kawczak)

5. OLD BUSINESS

NA

6. **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Donna Shepardson reported on the Career Connections Day and Google Parent Training. Not enough students are attending the Career Connections Day and we have some really effective community and business leaders who report out. About 35 parents attended Google Training.

7. **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Lisa Mahar suggested that the committee looking at keyboarding programs observe her classroom using the free typing.com. She has learned to use the program with no advertisements displayed. It was agreed that we would attempt to make this happen. She is very satisfied with the program and her students are responding well. It was also suggested that Donna Shepardson become a member of the committee.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn: Melissa Dupont

Second: Thomas O'Hara