

REGULAR MEETING – CURRICULUM/PROGRAMS & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Litchfield Board of Education
Thursday, January 14, 2016, Central Office Conference Room, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Ms. Fabbri (chair), Mr. Falcetti, and Mr. Waugh (6:35 p.m.).

Also present: Ms. McMullin, Ms. Shuhi, Ms. Ferrari, Ms. O'Neill, Ms. Della Volpe, Mr. Simone, Ms. Kubisek and Ms. Turner.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 10, 2015 with one correction. Under Old Business please change “Frendi” to “French.”

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Communications - none

Public Comment – none

New Business

- a. Math K-5: P.D. has been excellent with 33 hours, worked on Technology aspect of program, reviewed Benchmark Assessments, a new implementation always experiences some problems, feedback from parents has been positive, reviewed the materials on the website, discussed the benchmark scores. Next Steps: still need more Professional Development, perhaps looking at organizing Math Support; curriculum revision; preschool curriculum; need additional devices; Math Role – Creating a Math culture.
L.M.S.-L.H.S.: Working on interdisciplinary projects, use Excel Program, other app’s being used, Technology needs some updating, using graphing calculators, E-Books in use, flipped classrooms in Geometry, working on STEM courses.
- b. 11th Grade SAT: Reviewed an overview of the redesigned SAT, looks a lot like ACT, 4 total sections, Math will have 3 sub-scores also Geometry has dropped out of SAT, Reading, Writing and Language changes were reviewed, essay section is optional, test is 3 hours without essay section and breaks, with essay section and breaks time is 3 hours and 50 minutes.
- c. Department Coordinators/Teacher Evaluations: Need 092 certifications, Dean of Student evaluates 16 teachers; postponed until next year.

Old Business – none

Curriculum Update - none

Future Agenda Items

- a. SRBI
- b. Special Education Update
- c. NEASC
- d. Music and Art Curriculum – Dan Porri, Michael Bucci and Alison Pilon

MOTION made by Mr. Waugh and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donald R. Falcetti