

REGULAR MEETING – CURRICULUM/PROGRAMS & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE Litchfield Board of Education

Thursday, April 11, 2013, Intermediate School Art Room, 6:30 p.m.

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

Members Present: Ms. Fabbri (chair), Ms. Rosser, Mr. Falcetti and Mr. Waugh.

Also present: Dr. Wheeler, Ms. Maraia, Ms. Brutting, Ms. Kasidas, Mr. Simone, Mr. Shuhi, Ms. Turner, Ms. Murphy, Ms. Clementson, Ms. J. Wheeler, Ms. Moore, Mr. Katzin (6:32 p.m.), members of the public and the press.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION made by Ms. Rosser and seconded by Mr. Waugh: to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 28, 2013 as corrected. On Page 2 under Recommendations add a coma after "languages" before "begin".

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

Communications – none

Public Comment

➤ Ms. Tetreault – commented in favor of use of BYOD devices at L.I.S.

Old Business - none

New Business

a. <u>Curriculum Update</u>

➤ Science K-12 Update –

Overview of K-3 Curriculum – very detailed overview was reviewed with Committee aligned with State Standards and Common Core, materials on web site.

Overview of Grades 4-6 – very detailed overview was submitted.

Overview of Grades 7-10 – areas of study presented, reviewed electives at L.H.S., some adjustments necessary for some high school electives, up to date and aligned with State Standards, most electives are aligned with Common Core.

<u>Recommendations</u>: N.G.S.S. – Related Recommendations for School Districts – want to make changes to Science content in curriculum, do integrate Common Core Literacy and Math Standards.

<u>General Discussion</u> – Anatomy and Physiology, value of dedicated science teaching in Center and L.I.S., C.S. labs support Common Core. Inquiry based instruction is focus.

> Special Schedules -

<u>Art</u> – overview for the three schools, C.S. has 22 art classes per week, one teacher shared by L.H.S./L.I.S., one teacher full time at L.H.S.

<u>Music</u> – reviewed schedules of three schools, discussed teaching assignments of teachers.

<u>Library Techs</u> – work with students and teachers, help with student research, reviewed roles and responsibilities of Media Specialists and Coordinator.

<u>Curriculum Steering Committee Update</u> – none

Personnel – administrators will meet April 24th to finalize hiring list.

Future Agenda Items

- a. SEED Pilot Update
- b. 1 to 1 and BYOD
- c. 092 Evaluators

MOTION made by Mr. Waugh and seconded by Mr. Falcetti: to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted, Donald R. Falcetti