

REGULAR MEETING – CURRICULUM/PROGRAMS & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Litchfield Board of Education
Thursday, January 8, 2015, Central Office Conference Room, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m.

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

Also present: Ms. McMullin, Mr. Roy, Ms. Murphy, Mr. Bongiorno and Mr. Shuhi.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Mr. Waugh: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11, 2014 with corrections as noted. Page 1, item C, 3rd line, “students can be checked for”, Page 2 under Library Media, 1st line “a long term.”

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

Communications

- Ms. Fabbri referred to a communication from the former interim superintendent to the Committee that the math curriculum was reduced from the budget.

Public Comment – none

New Business

- a. World Language 4-12 Curriculum Update: Reviewed objectives: prepare student for AP and college courses; prepare for travel, career, etc. Enhance higher thinking skills.

Latin 4 – revised last year to adapt to AP syllabus

Latin 1, 2 – using a 6 year E-Text

Latin Exam – moving to more challenging National Exam level for Latin I.

Spanish: curriculum more challenging. Spanish I – grades 4-6; Spanish II – grades 7-8; Spanish III – grade 9; Spanish IV – grade 10; Spanish V – grade 11; Spanish VI/AP – grade 12. Program revised over the past two years, trying to better connect all the levels for content, standards and grading policies.

French: curriculum revisions are needed, instability witnessed, discussed viability of program, should consider adding another language in place of French.

- b. 6th Grade Teachers Schedules – chart was reviewed, heterogeneous grouping of students, each teacher has a homeroom, Health once a month for 40 minutes (Guidance same as health).

Old Business - none

Curriculum Update – none

Personnel –

- LIS Grade 6 Long Term Substitute (LTS) needed (pregnancy/childcare leave).
- LHS French Teacher needed.

Future Agenda Items

- a. Technology
- b. Homework

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Rosser: to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Donald R. Falcetti