Manitowoc Public School District Minutes of Curriculum Committee Meeting

November 4, 2021

Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Meredith Sauer, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Curriculum Committee Member, Stacey Soeldner was present along with Board of Education member Lisa Johnston. In addition, Jason Bull, Director of Teaching, Learning, and Assessment, and Pam Lensmire, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Lee Thennes, Lincoln High School Principal, and Lori Williams, Math Specialist, were also present.

International Baccalaureate

Stacey Soeldner made a motion to support the recommendation made by Principal Thennes to discontinue International Baccalaureate programming. Meredith Sauer seconded the motion. The recommendation will be brought to the full Board of Education for consideration.

K-12 Math Update

Lori Williams and Jason Bull shared a K-12 Math update through a slideshow presentation of pictures highlighting students and staff engaged in math, anecdotal data stemming from conversations with students and staff around the the things they enjoy most about math in our district and what would they change and why, and an overview of the professional development at all levels since August, 2021.

The K-12 Math update concluded with a discussion regarding the longitudinal middle level and high school math data that was shared in October 2021 and the future of compacted math. The members of the Curriculum Committee requested additional information during the December 2021 or January 2022 Curriculum Committee meeting. This presentation will include proposed criteria for identifying students to be included in a compacted sequence, high school math pathways, future professional development to ensure differentiation in all classrooms and enrichment opportunities at the middle level.

Stacey Soeldner made a motion to adjourn the Curriculum Committee; Meredith Sauer seconded the motion. The Curriculum Committee meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.