

**Manitowoc Public School District
Manitowoc, Wisconsin**

**Board of Education Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2015 11:30 AM**

The Manitowoc Public School District Curriculum Committee met on May 26, 2015 11:30 AM.

Committee members Chair Barbara Herrmann and Dave Longmeyer were present. Also present were Director of Education Deborah Shimanek, Superintendent Marcia Flaherty. Absent: Committee Member Dave Nickels.

There were three Student Travel Requests on the agenda:

DC History Club from Washington Junior High applied to travel to Washington DC on March 6-10, 2016 during the Spring Break. Their destination is Gettysburg, PA and Washington DC. It was recognized the tight schedule and chaperones commitment to travel with such a rigorous plan.

The second application for student travel was Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Competition to Washington DC on July 4-10 with Adviser Becky Grodek. Our students qualified for National Competition in STAR events.

The third application was from the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) on June 30-July 2, 2015. Two MPSD students will travel with Two Rivers Students and their chaperone to Chicago, IL for the national competition and conference.

Dave Longmeyer moved and Barbara Herrmann seconded to approve all three trips and the motion was carried.

The next agenda item was a textbook recommendation presented for grades 7th& 8th *IQWST: Investigating and Questioning our World through Science and Technology*. Presently both 7th and 8th grade teachers have piloted one module of the integrated science program. The committee highly recommends the online resource for approval. Each grade will teach 4 modules of the program: Physical Science; Chemistry; Life Science; and Earth Science. There will be online access provided for access to the resource. On a motion by Barbara Herrmann and second by Dave Longmeyer the recommendation was approved 2-0.

There was discussion about Board Policy 8510, Wellness and the development of a Wellness Committee with representation from District stakeholders. Mrs. Shimanek has several people interested in serving on the committee and was directed by the Committee to recruit members for the committee for the new school year. Barbara Herrmann requested to serve as the Curriculum Committee representative.

The final agenda item was an Academy Course Proposal for "Implementing Reading and Writing Workshop" by MPSD teacher, Angela Schardt. The course supports the MPSD implementation of

Readers/Writers Workshop and would be 1 credit with classes in August and September. On a motion by Barbara Herrmann and second by Dave Longmeyer the course was approved 2-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM with a motion by Barbara Herrmann and seconded by Dave Longmeyer motion approved.

Deborah Shimanek

Director of Education