

Manitowoc Public School District
Minutes of Curriculum Committee Meeting

March 17, 2022

Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Meredith Sauer, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Curriculum Committee Members Kathy Willis and Stacy Soeldner were present along with Superintendent Mark Holzman. In addition, Jason Bull, Director of Teaching, Learning, and Assessment, Pam Lensmire, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Lori Williams, K-12 Math Specialist, and David Steavpack, 6-12 Co-Curricular Coordinate, were also present.

Out of State Travel Request

David Steavpack presented an out of state travel request for the Fall of 2022. The out of state travel details include:

1. Date - Saturday, September 17, 2022
2. Location - Gurnee, Ill
3. Activity - Bill Dawson Cross Country Invitational
4. Students involved - up to 42 grade 9-12 students
5. Summary of activity - Freshmen and sophomore student athletes will have an opportunity to race their peers, while Junior Varsity student athletes who may be older can have more opportunity to contribute to the team in their respective race. Varsity student athletes will be exposed to different competition to help push them to achieve their best.
6. Cost = up to \$1200 for bus from Cross Country Activity account

Secondary Math

Lori Williams and Jason Bull provided an overview of the work the middle school math coaches completed around developing a proposed criteria for compacted math, defining what enrichment means in middle level math and the pathway to grow enrichment opportunities for all learners, identifying pathways to upper level math in high school, and outlining the professional development that staff would need to be able to provide higher level math instruction. In addition, this update included an alternate compacted pathway starting at the sixth grade level that will allow for Algebra to be a stand alone course at the eighth grade level along with measures of success of 6-12 math programming. All members of the Curriculum Committee supported the plan. Lori Williams and Jason Bull will begin work to execute the plan in early April, 2022.

Student and Parent Engagement Surveys

Pamela Lensmire shared an overview of the Student Engagement Survey highlighting the use of two specific components of the data by the Counselor team and Dean of Students/Student Support Leader team to develop an End of Year SMART goal and action plan. Mrs. Lensmire also shared that the percent of students - by subgroup - mirrored district demographic data minus black students. The percent of black students that engaged in the Student Engagement Survey was lower than the percent of students in this subgroup across the district. Jason Bull shared an overview of the Parent Engagement Survey highlighting what our parents view as most important, how the district is doing in these areas according to parent perspectives and the gap between these data sets. In addition, Mr. Bull shared how well the work within the district aligns to what parents have communicated to be their vision for the district. Parent perspectives were gathered around how best to utilize ESSER funds and this data was shared directly with Mark Holzman and Angela Erdmann for their review and planning.

Stacy Soeldner made a motion to adjourn the Curriculum Committee; Meredith Sauer seconded the motion. The Curriculum Committee meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.