

**Manitowoc Public School District**  
**Minutes of Curriculum Committee Meeting**  
July 19, 2022

Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Kathy Willis, called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Curriculum Committee Members Tony Vlastelica and Matthew Phipps were present. Also present were James Feil, Interim Superintendent, Jason Bull, Director of Teaching, Learning, and Assessment, Pam Lensmire, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Lee Thennes, Lincoln High School Principal.

**Math Applications - Textbook Adoption**

The process and work currently being navigated towards a textbook adoption that would support the Math Applications course includes:

1. The team followed an Implementation Checklist.
2. Teachers reviewed and developed a deeper understanding of mathematics standards.
3. Teachers identified the power and supporting standards for the course.
4. The team identified the criteria to be used in reviewing textbook options.
5. The team identified *Mathematics Core Topics SL 1* by Haese as the preferred textbook.
6. The preferred textbook is an updated version of the current text for this course.
7. The preferred textbook has been available for public review at the District Office since June 22, 2022.
8. A note of this opportunity for public review has been added to the MPSD website since June 22, 2022.
9. As of 9:33am - July 19, 2022 there have been no requests to review the textbook.
10. A request was made for approval from the Curriculum Committee to move forward in process to seek support for this adoption from the full Board of Education.
11. Matthew Phipps made a motion to support the next step in the process. Tony Vlastelica seconded the motion. All members of the Curriculum Committee supported the execution of the next step in the process.
12. Members of the Student Learning Office will make every effort in future book adoption processes to make a digital copy of the preferred text available via the MPSD website.

**Accounting 1 - Textbook Adoption**

Lee Thennes shared an update related to the process and work currently being navigated towards a textbook adoption that would support the Accounting 1 course. The details integral to this work include:

1. The team followed an Implementation Checklist.
2. Teachers reviewed and developed a deeper understanding of mathematics standards.
3. Teachers identified the power and supporting standards for the course.
4. The team identified the criteria to be used in reviewing textbook options.
5. The team identified *Financial Accounting 16E* by Warren et al. as the preferred textbook.

6. The preferred textbook is aligned to the similar course and textbook utilized at Lakeshore Technical College, thereby ensuring students can earn transcribed credit.
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### **Academic Standards**

Pam Lensmire provided an overview of the Academic Standards currently being utilized as the foundation for classroom instruction and assessment. All Academic Standards guiding this work will remain unchanged except for one content and grade band. The professionals within the LHS Music Department recommend the utilization of the Wisconsin Music Education Association Standards as opposed to the Wisconsin State Standards for Music. Wisconsin Music Education Association Standards offer a more comprehensive and rigorous approach to Secondary Music Education. A request was made for approval from the Curriculum Committee to move forward in the process to seek support for the identified Academic Standards from the full Board of Education. Matthew Phipps made a motion to support the next step in the process. Tony Vlastelica seconded the motion. All members of the Curriculum Committee supported the execution of the next step in the process.

### **Policy 5136 - Personal Communication Devices**

The members of the Curriculum Committee reviewed and made unanimous revisions based on the feedback from a variety of stakeholders for the second reading and approval by the full Board of Education for Policy 5136 - Personal Communication Devices.

### **Policy 2240 - Controversial Issues in the Classroom**

The members of the Curriculum Committee reviewed and discussed Policy 2240 - Controversial Issues in the Classroom. Final recommendations for this policy were not reached. The following action items were agreed upon:

1. Policy 2240 will be further discussed during the August 16, 2022 Curriculum Committee meeting.

Tony Vlastelica made a motion to adjourn the Curriculum Committee; Matthew Phipps seconded the motion. The Curriculum Committee meeting adjourned at 6:52p.m.