

Winchester Board Education

Type of Meeting: Curriculum Committee Meeting MINUTES

Date: Thursday, March 8, 2018, @ 6pm

Location: Town Hall, Blue Room

Meeting Facilitator: Nora MocarSKI

Invitees: Alexandra Propfe, Douglas Pfenninger, Liz O'Dowd, Melony Brady-Shanley, Jamie Duffy, Nancy O'Dea Wyrick

Quorum - Curriculum Committee: 3.

- I. Call to Order 5:57
  - A. Present: Alexandra Propfe, Douglas Pfenninger, Seamus Cullinan, Melony Brady-Shanley, Nora MocarSKI
- II. Roll Call
- III. Open Issues
  - A. Proposals pending approval:
    1. SRC at TGS, grades 7-9
      - a) Gilbert has given permission to run SRC up at Gilbert. We will hire an SRC person as a retiree is leaving. Position not yet posted. Expecting 15-16 senior students to graduate leaving and fewer 6th-grade students moving into Gilbert (expecting 7, 6th graders).
    2. Essential Skills Program at TGS, grades 11-12.
      - a) Struggling to fill this position. It is for 8-10 hours a week. To handle 6-7 students. This is a certified position. We can hire a regular education teacher, but this teacher has to work with a certified special education teacher. There is an online component to this program as well.
    3. Pre-K Expansion
      - a) Objective - To expand seats, ensure quality education before entry to K for Winsted children. Academically-based. Early intervention. Targeting 3-4 yr. olds at Batcheller. Fall 2018+, potty trained, three by Aug. 1, 2018. Complete pre-registration form. Prioritize top 3 choices: 1) Little Owls (free), 2) Winsted Area Child Care (fee) 3) Head Start (Ed Advance) at Batcheller academic and in-home social supports (sliding scale fee). Winsted Area Child Care (WAC) - offers before and after school care and social development.
        - (1) Ruth Ann of WAC to counsel with family to determine which of three programs is best for the family.
          - (a) Supports Winsted Area Child Care goals.
        - (2) Also note that there are approximately 80, 3 to 4-year-olds in the area that are not enrolled in any program. Use census/tax data to find this number. We have many children out there NOT in any program before 5 yrs. of age.
        - (3) Goal enrollment - 36-40 kids for the first year.
        - (4) Year 2 enrollment goals: 45 students for 15 students per class.
        - (5) Hours: 9am - 3:30pm. No transportation provided.

(6) We will advertise for this. And information sessions at Beardsley Library.

(7) Three certified teachers, paraprofessionals. Little budget impact due to retirements.

B. Progress Monitoring - February report.

1. Subgroup performances - via State's EdSite was shared. Progress analyzed. Achievement analyzed.

a) Melony to present longitudinal results to allow us to see a comparison of current student performance on NWEA and RITs vs. previous year SBAC and RITs.

C. Sample of inquiry unit - Tabled.

D. EdAdvance Curriculum Development - Tabled.

E. Pre-School Education - Tabled.

IV. New Business - None.

V. Adjourn.

A. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm. **Motion:** Alexandra Propfe, Second: Douglas Pfenninger.