

Board of Education Curriculum Committee Minutes
Friday, December 8th
Virtual
1:30pm



Attendees: Chair Pamela Stanley, Gale Bradford, Tom Foregger, Asst. Superintendent Dr. Giordano, Director of STEAM Dennis Dagounis

Purpose and Goals

The purpose of the Board of Education Curriculum Committee is to communicate, discuss, and review recommendations for district curriculum and programming. The committee will be composed of three Board of Education members, the Director Elementary Education and Intervention and the Assistant Superintendent of Schools. Additional administrative staff members will be invited to participate in these meetings as necessary and appropriate to share new initiatives that will be presented to the Board of Education for approval as Agenda items. Meetings will take place approximately five times per year and as needed to inform BOE members and support district planning. Minutes from these meetings will be provided following the meeting. As needed, the chairperson of the committee will provide updates at full Board of Education meetings.

- Dennis Dagounis- [Architectural Design](#)
 - **Reviewed New Course**
 - **Only district in surrounding area that does not have an Architecture class.**
 - **New Course will provide students interested in architecture as a field of study an immersive experience instead of just one unit in another course**
 - **Course Proposal Form will be updated to better a line with Policy 2220**

**FINANCE AND FACILITIES
COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes
December 4, 2023**

TIME: 10:30am

INVITEES: Angela Penna, Joy Young, Dipti Khanna, Robert Cianciulli, Melissa Varley, Kelly Sheehan, Anthony Giordano, Raymond Kuehner, Ingrid Reitano, Patrick Doyle and Anthony Juskiewicz

ABSENT: Robert Cianciulli, Melissa Varley

● **Update from Transportation Consultant**

- Enhance the student transportation and provide a higher level
- Spoke about the software Bus Boss and lack of quality. Versa Trans will give more information and provide efficiency in transportation and digital mapping. Explanation of the different vendor software. Outside contracting busing would not work with the system. It could be added in the bid spec when routes are bid.
- The consultant found that the district could be held liable with parents entering the bus.
- Hazardous definitions discussed
- Hazardous route criteria rubric used to determine these routes
- Courtesy busing assessment finding explained from the presentation.
- Policy development is very important to establish the mandated and subscription busing.
- Reanalyze the routes every three to five years. Building would influence this sooner.
- Assessment findings explained.
- Choose software, develop policies and then look at tiering sequences by 25/26.

**FINANCE AND FACILITIES
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INVITEES: Angela Penna, Joy Young, Robert Cianciulli, Dipti Khanna, Melissa Varley, Kelly Sheehan, Anthony Giordano, and Anthony Juskiewicz

• **Transportation Consultant findings discussion**

- Discussion of Transportation Consultants' meeting on 12/4/2023
- Developing a policy for hazardous, subscription and mandated busing routes.
- Mrs. Sheehan discussed the software, its advantages and the need for obtaining it.
- Look at the available funds in the transportation budget and determine the next steps.
- Public Presentation to discuss issues on January 18, 2024.
- Deficiencies in the current software vs. the new software.
- Obtain references from districts who currently use the software.
- Create a timeline to redesign the transportation routes and notify the public of changes.