

Curriculum Advisory Council Minutes



November 20, 2023
5:15 to 6:45
Woodland Media Center

Present: Casey Reis, Theresa Ziebarth, Amy Balcome, Megan Burkhammer, Laura Knudsen, Jason Lattimer, Troy Wunderlich, Mikayla Eggen, Angela Dotty, Julie Freier, Ruthie Schultz, Stephanie. Stueve, Kari VanWakeren, Robyn Stepaniak, Heather Timm, Amy Haggerty, Susan Anderson, Maureen Eigen, Michelle Bethke-Kaliher, Darcy Josephson

Darcy presented the World's Best Workforce and explained the legislation. The team discussed the goals and gave input on the information shared on the public document. She stated the goals are focused on the previous year. Darcy presented the goals for this school year and some changes are; no Goal 2 regarding 3rd Grade Literacy and in Goal 3 we will be focusing on only free/reduced lunch gap and not the special education gap goal. Darcy explained the college and career readiness goal and how it is measured along with what the graduation rate means.

The committee looked at the high school course changes for the next school year. Art will be changing the most and the department is looking at restructuring courses to ensure the experience is more aligned for students. New science standards will be fully implemented for the 24-25 school year which resulted in a change for 9th grade science, which will be Integrated Science. Other changes include new concurrent enrollment courses taught by our staff in the science and math department, combining AP Pre-Calculus and Pre-Calculus, changing grade levels for marketing/business class, and looking into getting credit for our Youth Services Training program. Darcy explained the process on how courses get changed and the timeline of events.

Darcy briefly explained the middle school course change timeline and those changes will be emailed to the committee in December and discussed in person at the January meeting.

Kevin Brezina, Technology Director, presented some technology updates to the committee. A new app, Qustodio, will be available to parents in the next few months. This will allow parents visibility into their students' Chromebooks after school hours if they wish. It is not mandatory but it will be an option for parents. The technology department is looking at sending communication out to students in the middle and high schools in December to give them additional information about the app.