



**Dover School  
District**

## SCHOOL BOARD - MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Curriculum Planning Committee Meeting**  
Meeting Location: **Room 305, McConnell Center**  
Meeting Date: **April 3, 2014**  
Meeting Time: **3:30 PM**

The Curriculum Planning Committee Meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM on April 3, 2014 in Room 305 of the McConnell Center.

Attendees: Linda Smart, George Daley, Paula Glynn, David Latchaw, Beth Lent, Kim Lyndes, Stephanie Dematteo, Tice Leonard, Peter Driscoll, Melissa Welliver, Jaime Sawler, M.J. Hippern, Sally Thorn, Greg Brown, Justin Pagnotta, Patty Driscoll

George Daley moved, Stephanie Dematteo seconded to approve minutes from March 13, 2014 meeting. It was unanimously approved.

### **Guidance**

Beth Lent--Elementary

- Handouts
- Get into each classroom 3 to 4 times
- Deliver same presentation
- Focus on Bullying lessons
- Money to deliver presentations
- Tiger and SASS
- Carve out 1 hour a month to get together
- Not much for reflection time
- Nearing recommendation of more than 500, impacts on curriculum delivery
- Woodman will get an additional councilor if budget passes for next year
- Horne will be next
- Bullying with technology is creeping into elementary school, primarily in 3rd and

Justin Pagnotta--DMS

Handout

- Guidance has lesson
- Tiger in 5th grade--working for in budget to do additional lessons for classes--PTG pays for
- SASS for 7 and 8--PTG Pays for
- Looking for an additional teacher in related arts in order to be able to address issues year round with all groups--are part of related arts rotation so are not--available for other activities
- SMART Goals
- Dover police are asked to present cyber bullying
- 6th grade focus on Careers and the Holland code...career personality types
- 7th grade is sexual harassment year
- 8th grade transition to DHS, career day
- Asking for extra summer days to work on Curriculum
- 6, 7, 8 mental health issues are a concern
- Would like Community Partners support in schools to come back into the budget
- Self-esteem and confidence issues
- Seeing cutting at a younger age
- Seeing more anxiety



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- Spend hours and hours and hours on the mental health issues because it is crisis management because of the related arts schedule

Sally Thorn, Melissa Welliver, Jaime Sawler, DHS

Handouts

- Review lesson plans
- Success at DHS
- Career exploration
- Life after DHS
- Depression and suicide
- Debrief after lessons and tweak accordingly
- 3-years-ago split into two groups
- School Climate
- Awareness of post-secondary lesson plans
- Diversity and tolerance
- Looking to an advisory system--personalize student's education-- give a group of students to a faculty member that would follow them through high school, opportunities to meet, person would know students and someone consistent throughout their DHS career
- Working on the assessment part is next challenge
- Preparing for advisory
- Plan to pilot next year, pull freshman students out of study hall and work with them
- Looking for the gift of time to prepare for the pilot
- Sample lesson--conflict resolution--Handout afterwards with fair behavior guidelines and examples of unfair behavior, how to fight fair

Comment that use the same conflict resolution in 6th grade, so nice for vertical integration

### **PE/Health/Wellness**

Greg Brown--Elementary

Handout

Wish List Money

- Purchased snowshoes to share
- 1st Tee golf program--training and equipment--Horne and Woodman, Garrison already had paid by PTA
- Similarity Awareness/Wheelchair Sports at Garrison from grant, money to bring to HSS and WP
- Better maintenance of outdoor space
- Inquiry working math into PE-- Kristen Cimino, Greg went to workshop, Patty Driscoll gave the list of must knows per grade level, added introductory activities to incorporate math
- Money to replace older equipment

Patty Brown--DMS

- Blended PE and classroom applications
- Consistent Teacher from gym to classroom
- 6day rotation, see students 2 times during rotation



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- Each class period is 1 hour, work through a double 6day rotation to focus on each component of curriculum

### Health Lessons

- Focus on health triangle at each grade level
- Fitness, nutrition, safety, mental health--different focus in each grade level
- Fitness lessons--weight room circuits, pedometer challenges, fitness testing, Aerobics, Tae/Bo, coordination activities, Skill challenges
- Students love fitness challenge, now a \$200 fee--need in budget

### Physical Fitness

- Team sports, track and field, cooperative

### Wellness

- Created weight room for additional space
- Health is in process of being converted from paper to digital allowing for ease of update
- Updated DVD library with money from parent group
- Looking at more action learning activities

### MJ Hippern--DHS

#### Handout

#### Amanda Spadafora--Health

- Health being taught more hands-on, project learning
- Competency based Looking at portfolio based curriculum
- Students collection artifacts
- Students reflection on own
- Books are from 2006, not using any more because obsolete
- Technology needs in classroom, WIFI capabilities in classroom
- Additional teacher, 30 plus students in classroom, MJ teaching a health class to ease burden

#### Wellness/PE classes

#### Changed name to PE

- Unified may need another class because so large now
- PE I more fitness based, Project Adventure
- PE II Lifetime activities

#### Needs

- Need equipment, not enough climbing harnesses for a class
- Space limitations
- Storage facilities
- Certification--recertification in Project Adventure, and other areas
- Fitness equipment
- Technology, projectors
- Insanity class

Message: make a wish list and direct to Paula Glynn

Next meeting will be on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM



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