Winchester Board Education  
Type of Meeting: Committee Meetings Curriculum, and Policy Minutes  
Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023, @ 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Location: Hinsdale School

Curriculum Committee Meeting Facilitator: Nora Mocarski

Committee Members: Jeannette Brodeur, Renata Waldron, Sondra Strubhar, and Tara Sundie

Invitees: Doug Pfenninger, Salvatore Lovetere, Cheryl McGlynn, Kristin Peterson, and Melony Brady-Shanley

Quorum: 4

I. Call to Order @7:03pm

II. Roll Call Nora Mocarski, Melony Brady-Shanley, Sondra Strubhar, Renata Waldron, Jeannette Brodeur, Tara Sundie

III. Agenda Review
   a) Review of Curriculum Committee Agenda – February 28, 2023

IV. Approval of Minutes
   a) Review of Curriculum Committee Minutes – January 24, 2023

V. MOTION to approve Review of Curriculum Committee Minutes – January 24, 2023
   First: Tara Sundie, Second: Renata Waldron, U

VI. New Business
   a) Mid-Year Assessment Data Review – Including NWEA

   Barbara Silverio presented Hinsdale School Winter NWEA, PELI, & DIBELS Data on behalf of Rosanna Field.

   QUESTION: What determines the score?

   The students' scores determine the score of the other students.  
   41% of our students are performing at this level and higher. This is how we base our goals.

   QUESTION: Why not base it on the national norm?
You will see those results in the spring and with the five bands and will see the breakouts across the board. Teachers set goals in all categories.

QUESTION: Are students provided accommodations?

Yes, if the student has a plan in their IEP.

QUESTION: Are there accommodations provided for DIBELS?

No, there are no accommodations for DIBELS. Students are being tested on their reading abilities.

Barbara Silverio presented the Pearson School Academic Data.

QUESTION: What are the dates that we use for testing?

We use the end of September, the middle of January, and the middle or end of May.

Melony Brady-Shanley added that we have 10 students that do not speak English that have moved into our district. We are struggling instructionally and we have only a few bilingual staff members. The district uses a program called Language Line that allows us to translate English into the language for a family that does not speak English in meetings.

It takes 3-5 years to be proficient in reading and writing in English. In approximately 6 months, students absorb what they are hearing.

QUESTION: Is there a struggle for students to do their homework?

Yes, it is a problem. The 6th-grade teachers said that 60% are not handing in Math homework.

MOTION to adjourn

First: Renata Waldron, Second: Jeannette Brodeur, U

VII. Adjourn @7:54pm

Policy & Bylaws Committee Meeting Facilitator: Cheryl McGlynn

Committee Members: Tara Sundie, Sondra Strubhar, Renata Waldron, Jeannette Brodeur, and Salvatore Lovetere
I. Call to Order @7:55pm

II. Roll Call  Tara Sundie, Sondra Strubhar, Renata Waldron, Jeannette Brodeur, Salvatore Lovetere

III. Agenda Review
   a) Review the Policy/Bylaws Committee Agenda – February 28, 2023

IV. Approval of Minutes
   a) Review of the Policy/Bylaws Committee Meeting Minutes – November 29, 2022

MOTION to approve Review of the Policy/Bylaws Committee Meeting Minutes – November 29, 2022

First: Salvatore Lovetere, Second: Renata Waldron, U

V. New Business
   a) Policy 6172.6(e) - Remote learning - Grades K-12
      Not being moved forward

   b) Policy 6140 - Curriculum (updated policy adding Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies)

      MOTION to move Policy 6140 - Curriculum (updated policy adding Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies) to first read

      First: Salvatore Lovetere, Second: Jeannette Brodeur, U

   c) Policy 4113.12 - Minimum Duty-free lunch period for teachers

      MOTION to move Policy 4113.12 - Minimum Duty-free lunch period for teachers to first read

      First: Nora Mocarski, Second: Salvatore Lovetere, U

   d) Policy 5113.2 - Truancy

      No action is needed. Updated on June 14, 2022

   e) Policy 5141.4 - Reporting Child Abuse, Neglect, and Sexual Assault
MOTION to move Policy 5141.4 - Reporting Child Abuse, Neglect, and Sexual Assault

First: Nora Mocarski, Second: Jeannette Brodeur, U

f) Policy 5145.511 - Exploitation; Sexual Harassment

Motion to move Policy 5145.511 - Exploitation; Sexual Harassment to first read

First: Nora Mocarski, Jeannette Brodeur, U

g) Policy 9321.2- Board Bylaws re: Electronic Board of Ed meetings

MOTION to move Policy 9321.2- Board Bylaws regarding Electronic Board of Ed meetings to first read with the additional language

Under Policy Statement 9321.2(b)

The Board of Education, at the Chair's discretion, may hold a public meeting that is accessible to the public by means of electronic equipment or by means of electronic equipment in conjunction with an in-person meeting.

P6144(b)
This should include the opportunity to have a wide range of views, student freedom to express ideas in a respectful and constructive manner, and teacher willingness to discuss ideas.

Under B. Preparation of Students for Discussion
Teachers should invest time in training their students in discussion and critical thinking techniques.

Under C. Establishment of an Open Discussion Climate
The creation of an intellectually and mutually respectful environment for student participation is one of the most important elements of a successful discourse.

First: Nora Mocarski, Second: Salvatore Lovetere, U

h) Policy 6144 (a) Controversial Issues

MOTION to move Policy 6144 (a) Controversial Issues to first read with amendments

2. Schools and classrooms are an environment where students must feel safe.

First Paragraph after 2. It is the duty of the educational community to model for our student’s acceptance of diversity and respect for civil discourse.

Second Paragraph: Teachers must be keenly aware of their position of influence and that the classroom is not a forum to promote a particular political vantage point or ideology. As
partners in our student’s education, we aspire to promote **inclusive and respectful** dialogue in our classrooms and corridors.

First: Salvatore Lovetere, Second: Jeannette Brodeur, U

**MOTION to adjourn**

First: Salvatore Lovetere, Second: Jeannette Brodeur, U

VI. Adjourn @ 8:59pm