

Newtown Board of Education  
Newtown, Connecticut  
Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee

Minutes from the Board of Education Curriculum and Instruction meeting held June 30, 2017 at 10 a.m. in the BOE Conference Room.

J. Vouros

M. Ku

J. Evans Davila

J. Vouros called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Public participation - None

Ms. Evans Davila suggested that the group plan the agenda for the first C & I Meeting of the new school year. In reviewing notes from previous committee meetings, the Math 5+ and 6+ curriculum were identified as an agenda item that requires a status update and resolution. Ms. Evans Davila stated she would send an invitation to Principal Anne Uberti to arrange for her to attend the upcoming meeting and to bring with her the Math Science Specialist Jessica Fonovic and the new K-8 District Math Coordinator Ellen Buckley. The group framed two areas of focus for this agenda item: 1) an explanation of how the curriculum posted on the District website for Math 5+ and Math 6+ compares to what is being taught in the classroom and 2) an update on the projected timeline for bringing to a close the revision of the two curricula. Mr. Vorous, Dr. Ku, and Ms. Evans Davila agreed that the first C & I Meeting will be scheduled for September 7, 2017. Ms. Evans Davila stated that she would send an invitation to Principal Uberti to inform her of the date of the meeting and to work out a time frame that allows both teachers to attend, as well.

Ms. Evans Davila asked Dr. Ku and Mr. Vorous for suggestions to frame the work of the committee for 2017-18. Mr. Vorous suggested a regularly occurring update of progress on the recommendations that were presented through the recent K-12 English Language Arts Self-Study. Dr. Ku noted the importance of following up on the self-studies in Science and Math, which took place last year and the year prior, respectively. Ms. Evans Davila offered to provide an update on SBAC results at the start of the school year after the State-mandated assessment data is released to EdSight by the Connecticut State Department of Education.

Dr. Ku, Mr. Vorous, and Ms. Evans Davila identified the following dates for the 2017-18 C & I Meeting Calendar:

September 7

September 20

October 4

October 18  
November 1  
November 15  
November 29  
December 13  
January 11  
January 30  
February 8  
February 22  
March 8  
March 22  
April 12  
April 28  
May 10  
May 24  
June 7

All meetings listed above will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., with the exception of the September 7 meeting, which will occur at a time frame to be determined.

Public participation - None

J. Vouros motioned to adjourn. M. Ku seconded

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Evans Davila

*These are draft minutes and are subject to the approval of the Curriculum and Instruction  
Committee*