

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 40
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 40

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CURRICULUM MINUTES

Thursday, January 9, 2014

7:00 p.m.

Medomak Middle School

318 Manktown Rd., Waldoboro

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	Tod Brown, Erik Amundsen, Brooke Simmons, Errol Silvestri, Bob Williams, Valerie Young, Jessica Berry, Edith Berger, Madelon Kelly, Beth Pope, Amanda Shortall, Sarah Gladu
EX-OFFICIO MEMBER:	Board Chair Danny Jackson
ADMINISTRATOR/S:	Kimberly Schroeter, Michael Cormier, Andrew Cavanaugh, Robert England

Attending: Tod Brown, Erik Amundsen, Brooke Simmons, Errol Silvestri, Bob Williams, Valerie Young, Edith Berger, Madelon Kelly, Amanda Shortall, Kimberly Schroeter, Andrew Cavanaugh, Bob England, Danny Jackson

AGENDA TOPICS

I. REVIEW/DISCUSS

Kim opened the discussion describing her meeting with Lynn Farrin a Science Specialist with the Maine Math Science Alliance. As a result of her discussion with Lynn, Kim is targeting the Science Curriculum that will compliment the Common Core Model.

A discussion with the attending teachers on the committee centered around the current science curriculum programs in the various schools. It was noted that grant money allowed for the procurement of science kits. Over time the kits were not replenished. Also some schools have the kits and the books and some schools have only the kits or the books. It was agreed that an inventory should be taken so as to identify the resources and where they are located. Once we identify the resources on hand and shortfalls, the resources should be replenished. Kim noted that in her upcoming 2014-2015 budget she plans to request monies for additional resources and training.

Kim headed up a discussion regarding the policy review of the Proficiency based graduation requirements. It was generally agreed that with this issue in a state of flux and that we should adopt a more general policy for the short term.

Andrew Cavanaugh spoke at length on the challenges this new approach presents in adopting new the graduation requirements. Andrew urged the Committee and the Board take a cautious approach with a thorough review issues before adopting our Policy on the Proficiency based graduation requirements.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00PM

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