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Curriculum Committee Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2019 Medomak Middle School 5:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Sara Andrews, Guy Bourrie, Morgan Hynd, Errol Silvestri, Emily Trask-Eaton, Bob Williams and Melvin Williams

Ex-Officio Members: Danny Jackson/Board Chair, Steve Nolan/Superintendent, Christina Wotton/Director of Instruction and Linda Pease/Principal Medomak Valley High School

Minutes

- I. Call to Order at 4:59 p.m.**
 - A. Declaration of Quorum
 - B. Absences- Emily Trask-Eaton
 - C. Approved Minutes from September 19, 2019 (Guy Bourrie made the motion, Bob Williams seconded, unanimous approval)

- II. Action Items**
 - A. Curriculum committee reviewed and determined topics of discussion for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

- III. Other Items**
 - A. Angela Arteaga, RSU 40 Project AWARE Manager, shared the year one accomplishments of the grant. Accomplishments include: Youth Mental Health First Aid Training for 134 staff members, staff training for social and emotional learning, an overview of Multi-Tiered Behavioral Framework/Positive Behavioral Intervention (MTBF/PBIS) and worked toward a PK-12 plan for the entire district.
 - B. Angela Arteaga led a discussion of the proposed work for year two of the Project AWARE grant including: increased infrastructure for schools mental health by building a Multi-Tiered Behavioral Framework in RSU 40 schools, increasing mental health literacy and awareness in school and our community, and developing trauma-informed school environments and classroom strategies to effectively identify and support students with adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).
 - C. Staff are currently participating in a six week Mindfulness in Education mini-course series that will train them to become mindful educators. They will learn how to incorporate consistent mindfulness practices for themselves and for students.
 - D. The Committee agreed to review all of the curriculum-related policies that are due for review in 2019-2020.

- E. The Committee discussed reviewing policy IHBA and it was moved (Guy Bourrie) to table the policy review for the next meeting of the Curriculum Committee. (Seconded by Melvin Williams and unanimous approval)

IV. Adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

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