

Tolland Board of Education

Curriculum Committee Minutes

July 22, 2021

Members Present: Jacob Marie (Co-Chair), Madhu Renduchintala (Co-Chair), Christine Griffin

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Willett (Superintendent of Schools), Ms. Bridge (Personal Finance Teacher)

Meeting called to order at 3:46 pm

Summer school and pandemic update. 300 students have enrolled. It's been very successful so far. Could possibly be funding for it in the future and have a very good baseline after feedback is solicited and received. DPH will advise on mask wearing hopefully by 8/3. Will not have remote options. Discussed possibly the direction guidance could go.

8/25 for math curriculum presentation for full board meeting.

Science will be late September - early October.

SBAC still in progress. Evaluation process possibly being reformed. Highly probably SBAC will be replaced with something else.

World language became relegated back to higher grades for a variety of reasons, specifically budgetary cuts, increased SRBI needs, and new common core standards. There is benefit to returning to a 3-12 grade level range. Could be incorporated into pathways for international business. Could be a modified structure and be part of the specials to get exposure in BGP and TIS. We will be exploring options for a grant to do that. Want to continue the conversation and figure out a questionnaire to send to families to gauge interest.

Meeting adjourned 4:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Madhu Renduchintala