

**LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION
CURRICULUM SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
LYMAN MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
MARCH 12, 2024**

Minutes

In attendance: Sherry Masterson, Andrew Lathrop, Danelle Person, Sarah Haynes, Alexis Margerelli-Hussey,

Also in attendance: Curriculum Director Rita Quiles-Glover, Superintendent Andrew Gonzalez, Vice Principal Sue Mike, Principal James Apicelli.

I. Called to Order at 6:30

II. PD updates from February and March: Curriculum Director Rita Quiles-Glover shared that teachers and staff have been attending professional development focusing on learning related to Restorative practices, Attendance Engagement, and Social Studies Curriculum work. Paraeducators also continue to receive professional learning, per the 18 mandated hours. Surveys continue to drive the decisions behind the PD as well as district goals/ initiatives. Positive feedback from teachers and staff continues to come.

III. Reading updates: The CSDE has issued more Science of Reading program options while LPS continues to pilot HMH and SAVVAS curricula at LES. A decision by the LPS committee is slated for May. Costs will be \$150,000-\$165,000 and funds need to be spent by August. Sarah encouraged our admins and board to voice our concern to the CSDE that though there is a deadline they are still coming out with new programs, and even the programs we are piloting don't necessarily meet the needs of our learners at every grade level. Input sessions and feedback will be heard regarding our two pilot programs at upcoming meetings. Rita reminded us that all new programs are screened consistently using the same criteria.

IV. ELA Lyman updates: Rita reported that the ELA department has been creating curriculum maps, curriculum units, and choosing books for our new courses: Graphic Novel, Drama and Nature and Animals in Literature. Several titles were shared with the committee along with the thorough textbook recommendation forms for each one. Titles will be on display for one month at the Jonathan Trumbull Library for public viewing as per Board of Education policy for adoption of new text books. Rita emphasized student input in this process and Andy reminded us that once again, this is an example of "Students Choice" and "voice" in the process of this work. Enrollment for these new courses are high but numbers are not finalized. These courses are available for grades 10-12.

V. Adjourned at 7:02

Items for future agendas: Reading update, ELA Lyman course updates, Review of new ELA courses and curriculum in September meeting and "Guidance through graduation and beyond."

Submitted by,
Danelle Person, Subcommittee Chair