

Consent-Approve item XI-C – Summary of Receipts, Wire Transfers, and Check

curriculum materials was removed from the Teaching and Learning budget in the 2011-12 budget. Appendix D outlines the purchase of textbooks and curriculum materials from the 1999-2000 school year through the 2014-15 school year.

In spring 2013 the International Curriculum Management Audit Center was retained to complete a comprehensive curriculum audit. Finding 2.1 of this audit identified a lack of a planning process and comprehensive management plan to provide coordinated direction of the design, delivery, and evaluation of the curriculum. The auditors responded to the findings with eight recommendations for how to address the problems that were pinpointed in the audit. Establishing a seven-year curriculum review cycle is one specific item recorded in Recommendation 5.

School board Policy 6300 has been updated to include a proposed curriculum development cycle. This cycle provides for a comprehensive evaluation of course content, an inclusive development process, a thoughtful implementation, revision based on data, and time for program effectiveness to be realized. The curriculum development cycle will adhere to a five-phase process.

School Board Policy 6610 includes the proposed seven-year curriculum review cycle and indicates where each curriculum area falls within the cycle. It is important to note that all content areas responded to the curriculum audit and began work in the 2013-14 school year. In some content areas (mathematics, for example), multiple phases were accomplished during that year. In other content areas, the work of a single phase was spread over multiple years. This is indicated in the District Curriculum Work 2013-16 table.

At its November 10, 2015, meeting, the joint Personnel/Policy and Curriculum/Program Committee voted to forward proposed revisions to Policies 6300 and 6610 to the School Board for consideration. Administration recommends that the school board approve Policy 6300 to include a systematic curriculum review cycle as a first reading on November 24, 2015, and a second reading on December 15, 2015. Administration recommends that the school board approve Policy 6610 to include a seven-year curriculum review cycle with an annual budget assumption to support needed purchases as outlined in Phase 3 of the cycle as a first reading on November 24, 2015, and a second reading on December 15, 2015."

Mrs. Coleman noted that revised Policies 6300 and 6610 were distributed which consisted of some cross referencing changes.

Mrs. Housaman was present and answered questions from Board members.

Mr. Flood moved to approve revised Policies 6300 – Curriculum Development and Improvement and 6610 – Selection of Instructional Materials as a first reading. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis introduced the Athletics for Physical Education Credit Waiver submitted by Mr. Knecht, Mrs. Housman, and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

November 10, 2015 (8 standing committee members present)

- Two committee members voted yes.

One yes vote included the following statement:

“Please get more info from students.”

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Mr. Hamdan introduced Mr. David Maccoux from Schenck, S.C. who presented the Management Communications document to Board members and then answered questions.

Mrs. Snyder moved to receive the audited 2014-2015 Annual Financial Report. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mrs. Coleman introduced the Minutes of the 10/22/15 and 10/27/15 Special Meetings and Executive Sessions and the 10/27/15 Regular Meeting.

Ms. Stevens requested that the 10/22/15 executive session minutes reflect that there was discussion about giving employees a bonus. Ms. Busby requested that the 10/22/15 executive session minutes be tabled until the next meeting to allow her to review her notes and confer with legal counsel.

Ms. Stevens moved to approve the 10/27/15 Special and Executive Session Minutes and the 10/27/15 Regular Meeting Minutes but table the 10/22/15 Special and Executive Session Minutes until the next meeting. Mrs. Snyder seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mrs. Coleman introduced Policy 5436 – Weapons submitted by Dr. Bethany Ormseth, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Policy and Rule 5436 - Weapons was last revised in 1999. School Board member Dan Wade has suggested revisions to the policy which would define any knife as a dangerous weapon as well as razor blades and box cutters.

At its October 13, 2015, meeting the Personnel/Policy Committee voted to forward revisions to Policy 5436 to the School Board for consideration. The School Board approved revised Policy 5436 as a first reading on October 27, 2015. Administration recommends that the School Board approve revisions to Policy 5436 – Weapons as a second reading on November 24, 2015.”

Mrs. Coleman indicated that Administration has requested that Policy 5436 – Weapons be tabled in order for it to be reviewed further as there may be conflicts with state and federal laws as it is currently written.

Mr. Wade moved to table Policy 5436 – Weapons to allow for further review. Mr. Falkofski seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Wade presented the Donations to the District as contained in the agenda.

Ms. Stevens moved to approve the Donations to the District as contained in the agenda. Mr. Wade seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Stevens moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wade seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.

Stacy Schroeder Busby
School Board Secretary