

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

On Wednesday, April 3, 2018 the Curriculum & Technology Committee meeting was held in the DO conference room. The following people were in attendance: Mrs. Heine, Dr. Dressler, Mrs. Fazzini, Dr. Goodin, Mrs. Bast, Mr. Catalano, Mrs. Rochlin, Mrs. Gardy, Mr. Tier, Mr. Cromley, Mrs. Long and Mrs. Raber

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford Area School District strives to be educationally relevant, focused on achievement and growth, and have a priority on people so that students are fully prepared to positively contribute to their society.

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:31PM by Mrs. Heine

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good news! Computer Winners

On March 13, Spring-Ford students presented 5 entries into the MCIU Computer Fair, and came home with 5 wins!

1st Place, Web Design category: Chris Kielty (senior) for his “Cooking with Chris”
website <http://www.chriskiely.com>

1st Place, Programming category: Eric Johns (sophomore) for his “Stand Tunes” mobile app

3rd Place, Programming category: Maddison Fuller & Tanvi Pulipaka (freshmen) for their
“Math Master” mobile app

1st Place, Computer Fair Logo Design category: Rahil Mehta (junior) for his “PA Computer
Fair Logo Processing...” logo

2nd Place, Computer Fair Logo Design category: Maddison Fuller (freshman) for her
“Searching for the Pennsylvania Computer Fair” logo

The first place winners in each category will go on to the PA State Computer Fair in May. Please congratulate these wonderful students if you see them, and wish our 1st place winners luck at the state level!

I. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

II. MINUTES – Accepted from Sept 2017, November 2017, Jan, Feb, March 2018

III. NEW BUSINESS

Curriculum:

1. Social Studies Department information (Mr. Nick Tier) – Nick presented information on the changes to 6-12 SS curriculum, our AP Offerings, several co-curricular opportunities, and the collegiate/professional learning community they have fostered over the last four years.

2. **ELA Updates** – Mrs. Gardy provided the following updates:

- a. Federal Programs continues to be a part of what the Curriculum Department manages. Federal Program monitoring was here on Friday, March 2nd. She reviewed our Title I, II & IV programs. We will receive an initial report from the state and it appears that we met all areas that were evaluated.

- b. Literacy Night is has been rescheduled due to the snow day on March 20th. It has been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 8th. It will be held at UPE from 6:30-8:00. The last day to register is Wednesday, May 2nd.
 - c. Kindergarten screenings will take place on 5/21 & 5/22. The Pre-Kindergarten program will run 6/25/18-7/26/18.
3. **Math Updates** – Mrs. Rochlin provided the following updates:
- a. K-4 Curriculum Review will begin in 2018-2019, planning has already begun.
 - b. On April 17th, CPM teachers will be going on a site visit to Upper Moreland High School to observe CPM Geometry and participate in discussions with teachers.
 - c. CPM training for Algebra 2 took place on March 27th. The next training will be on May 15th.
4. Textbook adoptions seeking permission to put on April Board Agenda
- a. for Physics (\$16,000),
 - b. Social Studies (9) (\$61,000),
 - c. Science 5/6 (\$120,000)
 - d. Permission granted.
5. New Assessment System (K-12) (seeking permission to put on April Board Agenda) - NWEA will complement the upgraded Aimsweb plus. Total not to exceed \$120,000 which is in the budget for next year. Permission granted.

Technology – Mr. Catalano provided the following updates

- 1. Time and Attendance Project – Updated progress with roll out at District Office and implementation with current systems. All is on track for full implementation by July 1, 2018.
- 2. Network infrastructure project – Update. Work began April 1st, and will be verified by Bob and his team.

Curriculum & Technology:

Modernized Learning Presentation- Presentation to the full board 3/26/18. Dawn thanked all for their preparation and the group shared her happiness that we will continue our work.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

V. ACTIONABLE ITEMS- New Assessment System, Curriculum materials

VI. NEEDS FOR NEXT MEETING: Next meeting Tuesday, May 1st at 6:30pm in the DO Conference Room

VII. BOARD COMMENT

VIII. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 7:19PM by Mrs. Heine