

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Curriculum & Technology COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

6:30 p.m. in the DO Front Conference Room

Attendees – Mrs. Heine, Mrs. Fazzini, Mrs. Bast, Mr. Catalano, Mrs. Rochlin, Mrs. Gardy, Mr. Czapor, Mrs. Earle, Mrs. Long

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 –By Mrs. Heine at 6:32 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

I. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

II. MINUTES – Minutes for April and May reviewed and accepted.

III. GOOD NEWS – SFAHS Junior Anthony Zygmunt will attend Duke University Summer Session for HS students in the Accelerated STEM Academy. Over 120 teachers honored at our Senior Impact Awards.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. **Curriculum**

1. Health and PE presentation- Mr. Kevin Czapor – Slides attached to minutes. Thank you Mr. Czapor for sharing the information on Health and PE. Mrs. Heine stated that each of the presentations that have been done over the last two years have helped the committee better understand the inter-workings of the various departments.
2. Agenda item: Approval for Leveled Literacy Intervention materials and training (Training and materials will not exceed \$140,000). This is a new purchase to support RtII K-2. Fountas and Pinnell Leveled Literacy Primary Intervention is a powerful, short-term intervention that provides daily, intensive, small-group instruction, which supplements classroom literacy teaching. *LLI* turns struggling readers into successful readers with engaging leveled books and fast-paced, systematically designed lessons.
3. Agenda item: Approval for Virtual HS Contract renewal (MCIU) (\$5700), this is an annual renewal.
4. Agenda item: Approval for Pebble Go- Elementary Library (not to exceed \$9000). This is a new purchase. PebbleGo is an online data base for grades K-2 that works in conjunction with ELA, Social Studies, and Library curriculums.
5. Agenda item: Approval of Smart Futures program for Act 339 (\$8500). This is a new purchase to support the evidence collection required of Act 339.
6. Updates – ELA, Math, Other

Other – Training on the new resources for FCS, Health and PE, and 10th Grade SS were held this week. Curriculum for these courses are being updated- great work so far- it will be completed over the summer.

ELA: Federal Programs- Mrs. Bast and Mrs. Gardy have been working the requirements for our Title I, II, & IV programs. The 2019-2020 grant is opened. We have been working on finalizing the submission. We have had an overall reduction in funds by a total of nearly \$60,000.

Mrs. Catie Gardy, Mrs. Katie Davis, Mrs. Lori Bignotti, and Mrs. Wendy Taylor will attend the PA Leadership: Providing Equitable Access through Analysis of Academic Texts training at PaTTAN East next school year. This a multi-day program emphasizes the importance of analysis of academic texts. There is no charge attend to this training.

Math:

Gearing up for next year K-4 new resources (deliveries here and ST math accounts will be emailed to teachers for summer use. We are participatin gin the Chief Science Offcer program- international organization, grant funded. Students will participate as leaders in the STEM community (local business leaders, sudents across the word, leadership training this summer- 4 HS students (9th, 10th, 11th) 2 day insittuee at Arcadia with Mrs. Rochlin.

Grant from state- training at Pattan- new tech tools to spend grant money on this upcoming school year. Heidi and 4 Ram Quest teachers attended, looking forward to more.

B. Technology:

1. New Phone System – Update, Plan for preparation, deployment and training: Approved at last school board meeting, contract signed, plan will be shared tomorrow with the tech team. Back end work and preparation will start now. July 1 is deployment, August training. All info (full plan) will be shared at our leadership retreat next week.
2. Modernized Learning – Website is being updated and deployment will take place in August on the 19th,20th, 21st deployment at 9GC (evening hours on 21st), meeting next week to continue to iron out details.
3. Agenda Items –
 - a. BSGI Contract (Support for access control system- maintence control system for doors \$7800),
 - b. Registration Gateway (\$35,424, annual license).
 - c. Raptor Conract (renewal for software support- Visitor Management System),
 - d. Touchpoint Contract (New Time Clocks) - cheap way tried last year not going well. This group does better time clocks, better support and maintenance (\$85,000 for 40+ time clocks).

V. OTHER BUSINESS – None

VI. ACTIONABLE ITEMS – Permission to place the following items on the agenda granted: Approval of BSGI contract for Access Control system support 1 year - \$7893, Time Clock Project - Touchpoint new time clocks out of capital expeditures not to exceed \$100,000. Raptor – Visitor Management System – 1 year renewal \$6825. Leveled Literacy Intervention materials and training approval (\$140,000); Smart Futures Approval (\$85000); Pebble Go approval (\$9000); VHS approval (renewal-\$5700).

- VII. NEEDS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting September 3, 2019; 6:30PM DO Conference Room
- VIII. BOARD COMMENT –** Mrs. Fazzini attended the STEP Program Ceremony where business work with our students. Companies were there to honor kids; she commented what a great program this is for our students.
- IX. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD –** Mrs. Earl asked which phone system we decided upon. Mr. Catalano informed her we are going with the Norstar. Mrs. Bast was asked to describe Virtual PE and how it is being utilized. Mrs. Heine thanked Mrs. Bast for her time at Spring-Ford and all the hard work she has done while here.
- X. ADJOURNMENT –** The meeting was adjourned at 7:52PM