

Curriculum Committee of the Region 9 Board of Education  
Special Meeting  
Joel Barlow High School ~ Administration Conference Room  
Tuesday, November 9, 2010  
1:45 p.m.  
Minutes

Attendance: Logie, Gombos, Lewis  
Administration: Cicchetti, McMorran, M. Kilbourn, McTague, Mas  
Guest: Kim Nash

I. Call to Order

Mr. Logie called the meeting to order at 1:55pm

II. Approval of October 4, 2010 Minutes

**MOTION: Move to approve the minutes of October 4, 2010. Gombos, Lewis. Approved. Unanimous.**

III. Public Comment

There were no members of the public in attendance.

IV. Discussion and Possible Action

A. Textbook Adoptions

Mrs. Kilbourn presented information on the proposed French text, which is published by Vista publishing. Vista publishes only world language texts and has sophisticated on-line resources. The request is for French I, II and III.

**MOTION: Move to accept the French text, D'accord, 2011 (French) as presented. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

Mrs. McTague presented information on the proposed Physical Science and Earth Dynamics text, Prentice Hall Physical Science with Earth & Space, 2009. There is an on-line resource that is an additional \$10 per textbook for an eight-year license to use, which the staff is looking to negotiate a lower fee.

**MOTION: Move to accept the Physical Science and Earth Dynamics text, Prentice Hall Physical Science with Earth & Space, 2009 as presented. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

B. Joel Barlow High School Program of Studies

Mrs. Kilbourn presented a proposal to add Guitar in two levels, beginner (Guitar I) in Fall/spring 2011-12 and intermediate (Guitar II) introduced in Spring 2013.

**MOTION: Move to accept the course proposal for Guitar I and Guitar II as presented. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

Mrs. McTague presented a proposal for a course Science Research which would be a four-year sequence.

**MOTION: Move to accept the new course Scientific Research as presented. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

Program of studies:

Mr. McMorran presented the document for all changes and additions to the program of studies for 2011-2012. The changes that were presented for AP courses were discussed. It was decided that no changes would be made to the AP offerings. Some course would continue to be open only to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students.

**MOTION: Move to approve changes to the program of studies excluding the change related to AP courses. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

Mr. Logie requested that a discussion of AP courses and initiative in those courses be discussed at the January meeting. Additionally, the committee requested that the world languages curriculum be on the agenda as well.

*C. Project Lead the Way*

Mr. McMorran presented materials on Project Lead the Way, a program currently in use at Helen Keller Middle School. The curriculum committee reviewed the current offerings for engineering and pre-engineering courses

**Adjournment**

**MOTION: Move to adjourn. Lewis, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

**Mr. Logie adjourned the meeting at 4:10PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Gombos