

REGION 9 CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
OCTOBER 8, 2009 – 2:30 P.M.
JOEL BARLOW HIGH SCHOOL – ROOM B109

Filed subject to approval

Attendance:

Committee: Lewis, Logie, Pemberton, and Gombos
Administration: Mas, McMorran, Pin, Kipp, Panos
Faculty: M. Kilbourn, McTague, Desmarais
Public: Rossi

1. Mr. Lewis called the meeting to order at 2:40pm.
2. Minutes of the December 16, 2008 meeting **Motion (Gombos, Lewis)** approved unanimously with one abstention (Pemberton).
3. Public Comment: None
4. Discussion and Possible Action:

- AP Physics

Motion (Pemberton, Logie): Recommend to the Region 9 Board of Education the approval of an AP Physics B one semester credit course for students taking the Preparation for the AP Physics Exam course approved last year. Approved unanimously.

There turned out to be sufficient demand to run the course this year and Mr. Escedy obtained AP certification over the summer so it can be called an AP course. The involved students will be taking this during the 2nd and 3rd quarters.

- Technology and Art

Motion (Logie, Pemberton): Recommend to the Region 9 Board of Education the change of the name of the course “**Digital Photography & Image Editing with Adobe Creative Suite**” to “**Technology & Art of Digital Photography & Imaging**” which will now be taken either for a Technology credit or an Art credit. Approved unanimously.

- Tri-State Science Review

Mr. McMorran outlined the upcoming Tri-State Science Review.

- Project Lead the Way Program

Mr. McMorrان explained that the Easton Learning Foundation is fundraising to add “Project Lead the Way” technology courses at Helen Keller Middle School to encourage both boys and girls to study engineering. Future course proposals at Barlow may be brought forth to add that program at the High School level.

- AP Economics

Mr. McMorrان reported that the goal still remains to have a teacher certified to teach AP Economics and that the administration will revisit this course with the Board when that person has been found.

- Technology and Art (continued)

Motion (Gombos, Logie): Recommend to the Region 9 Board of Education the approval of an Independent Study option, available to Juniors and Seniors called “Virtual World Language Study in Languages” to study languages not offered at Barlow. Approved Unanimously.

Students will use software and online resources under the supervision of a teacher in the Language Arts Resource Center (LARC) and costs, if any, will be minimal.

- Film Study Course

Ms. Kilbourn presented a draft proposal for a senior elective course to study Film as Literature. The formal proposal will come before the Committee as soon as the proposed textbook is available for the Committee to review.

- Status Report on the Development of Additional Reports – postponed.
- Next meeting and items for that agenda – not discussed.

5. Board Member Comment:

Ms. Gombos asked that the Committee or the Board be given a presentation on the Summer Reading list and how items are chosen for that list.

6. Public Comment: None

7. Adjournment

Motion (Gombos, Logie): To adjourn. Approved unanimously at 4:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Lewis