

RICE LAKE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Curriculum Committee Minutes

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

6:00 PM

District Board of Education Room

- I. **The meeting was called to Order: at 6:00 p.m.**
- II. **Call to Order—Present: Committee Members:** Tami Alberg, Keven Jensen, Bert Richard
District Staff: Randy Drost, Barb Sparish, Curt Pacholke, Katie Bergeron, Lorne Majewski, Dale Zuzek, Pete Kolpack, Jessica Mackiewicz, Maite Oyarbide-Sanchez
Absent: Bill Schmitzer
Community: None
- III. **Barb Sparish, announced that notice of the meeting was communicated by public notice as required by 19.84 of WI statutes.**
- IV. **Approval of October 18, 2016 meeting minutes:**
Motioned by: Tami Alberg
Seconded by: Bert Richard
All in favor
- V. **High School Proposals – Curt Pacholke**
 - a. **Science**
 - i. **Introductory to Physical Science – Laws of Physics**
 - ii. **Introductory to Physical Science – Laws of Chemistry**
 - iii. **Biology Blue**
 - iv. **Biology Gold**
 - v. **Earth and Space Science**
 - vi. **Conceptual Physics Blue and Gold (name change only)**
 - b. **Physical Education**
 - i. **Combine Dual Individual – Fall and Spring with Dual and Individual – Spring**
 - ii. **Combine Outdoor Adventure with Winter Outdoor Adventure**
 - iii. **Combine Outdoor Team Sports with Winter Team Sports**
 - iv. **Physical Education 10 (1/2 credit for 9 weeks everyday)**
 - c. **Agriculture**
 - i. **Large Animal Science**

High school principal, Curt Pacholke, shared an overview of the proposed Science course changes. Science teachers, Lorne Majewski and Dale Zuzek, explained the rationale for the proposed course changes.

High school principal, Curt Pacholke, explained the above proposed course changes to the physical education classes. The physical education department is also looking at the possibility of offering a “zero” hour for a physical education class. The high school is looking at piloting this option.

High school Agriculture teacher, Pete Kolpack, explained the rationale for the new Large Animal Science course. The course would replace Agriculture Leadership and You. High school principal, Curt Pacholke, also shared the partnerships with community that the school was working on. An AgStar grant will be used to purchase new equipment. Pete will be applying to DPI for this course to be able to receive science credits.

All course proposals will go the full board for approval.

VI. NLRA Ecuador Trip – Jeremy Peterson

Barb Sparish, Director of Instruction, and Curt Pacholke, high school principal, shared information regarding the NLRA proposed trip to Ecuador. The trip will be June 11-20, 2018 and will explore the Amazon, Quito, Kichwa community, and the Cotopaxi Volcano. This trip will focus on the development of a “sister” school in Ecuador and the culture.

VII. High School Spanish Ecuador Trip – Jessica Mackiewicz and Maite Oyarbide-Sanchez

Jessica Mackiewicz and Maite Oyarbide-Sanchez presented information on the proposed trip for June 2018. No specific dates have been set for the trip, but it would include exploring Quito, Mitad del Mundo, Otavalo, and Mindo. Students would stay with families to gain a deeper understanding of the Spanish culture.

VIII. Staff Development Day Update – Barb Sparish

An update on the October 28th Staff Development was provided by Barb Sparish, Director of Instruction. Morning time was devoted to curriculum writing. Meetings were held for the high school science, physical education, math, and social studies to discuss future plans. The afternoon building time was devoted to:

- High School – an IEP workshop, and professional development sessions on SLOs and standards-based grading
- Middle School – professional development on literacy and homework.
- Elementary – AGR professional development and workshop sessions.

IX. Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

X. Adjourn: Motion to Adjourn at 7:35 p.m. by Tami Alberg and seconded by Bert Richard.

Minutes submitted by Barb Sparish on November 15, 2016.