

The School District of Lee County
Curriculum Advisory Committee
Monday, January 27, 2020
Curriculum Resource Room 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M

Mission Statement:

To advise the School Board by recommending approaches to obtaining improved student achievement for all students through a coherent, rigorous academic course of study that provides the tools necessary to succeed in today's society. Emphasis will be placed on the dynamic development of a K-12 curriculum within a safe environment leading to both career and technical majors, the methods of instruction used to implement it, and the assessments of its effectiveness, together with a complementary professional development program to support it.

Committee Members Present: Marissa Beyer, Jonathan Heiland, Dr. Stephanie Snyder, Kristina Stewart, Dr. Larry Tihen, Joanne Uyeno, and Dr. Judy Wilkerson.

Committee Members Absent: Isabel Barroso, Donna Dunker, Debbie Fite, Jennifer Horan, April Ketron, Stacy Graison, Matthew Hoffman, Jennifer Horan, Dr. Ruthann Marleaux, Sophia Wertz,

Public Attendee: Carolyn Gullett

School Board Liaison Present: Betsy Vaughn

Staff Members Present: Lori Houchin, Bethany Quisenberry, Candace Allevato, and Dr. Jeffrey Spiro

Recording Secretary: Helen Hernandez

Presenters: Candace Allevato
Evelyn Rivera

Welcome and Introduction of Members

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Judy Wilkerson at 6:00 p.m. Dr. Wilkerson welcomed all committee members. An informal introduction was made by each committee member.

Review/Approval of Meeting Agenda and Minutes

Pending Approval - Motion to approve meeting agenda for tonight's meeting was made by Erica Orjuela and seconded by April Ketron. No opposition, motion carried, and agenda approved as presented.

Pending Approval - Motion to approve meeting minutes from September 23rd meeting was made by April Ketron, seconded by Erica Orjuela. No opposition, motion carried, and minutes approved as presented.

Review of Mission Statement and Purpose of Committee

The mission statement was reviewed by all.

Public Comment

None.

Board Member Report

Ms. Vaughn comments-

Nothing new to report in terms of curriculum. Since, everybody here is concerned with education, I am recommending that you read Diane Ravitch's book, *Slaying Goliath: The Passionate Resistance to Privatization and the Fight to Save America's Public Schools* by Diane Ravitch.

Presentations

Textbook Adoption Process Update

Candace Allevato –

- The committee gathered information from their school departments – ninety-seven Spanish or French teachers across the district. Of the ninety-seven, 31% of them were part of the total textbook adoption which is huge representation.
- October 29th, World Language Department Head meeting it was part of the process that evening to have an opportunity to talk across schools.
- Minutes were captured during their PLC meeting. Other teachers said that they had open conversations, as it pertained to the entire department, so it varied from schools to schools.
- Two teachers, a French and a Spanish teacher gave their presentation to the board.
- We will have a student representative to share the student experience.

Karen Babor and I are getting ready for next year since we are adopting ELA k-12. We are creating actual template form that has all the publishers and a process more embedded in the school and district wide process.

Evelyn Rivera - English Language Learners (ELL) in Lee County

- **ESOL Activity results & Activity discussion**

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Next Topic Discussion:

Topics for review-

- Continuation on ELL topic
 - Dual Language and International Academy

The Florida Department of Education has opened the next round of public input for the Math and English Language Arts standards. Stakeholders across Florida play a vital role in advancing Florida's K-12 education system. Your input is an integral part of the standards review process. We appreciate your time to participate in this review. Please visit www.fldoe.org/standardsreview.

Good of the Order:

Next Advisory Committee Meeting for FY20

Monday, February 24th @ 6:00pm – 7:30pm Curriculum Resource Room

link to the Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting 01/27/2020

Click the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFppt-lw49w>

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Larry Tihen and seconded by Jonathan Heiland, No opposition. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.