Curriculum Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 19, 2020

Attendance

•	×	Yes	No	Norrell, Dr. Jennifer
	×	Yes	No	Campbell, Dr. Lori
	×	Yes	No	Johnson, Ms. Annette

×	Yes	No	Miller, Ms. Avis
×	Yes	No	Hatchett, Ms. Kimberly
×	Yes	No	Sifuentes, Mr. Juan

I. Transition to Google

Presenter: Andrew Allen

- Mr. Allen highlighted the benefits of this transition to Chromebooks, which includes, better use of Google classroom, language translation, support, remote applications set up, testing access, notifications of assignments, events, easy to repair, etc.
- Mr. Allen continued with the integration plan, the staff trained on Google Classroom. The next step will be a deliberate roll out of the equipment, our recommendation is to start with 3 grade levels (4th, 7th and 10th). Ms. Hatchett asked "Are any of our students using chrome books right now?" Mr. Allen replied "Our students attending AU STEM, approximately 60 students"
- Mr. Sifuentes asked "What's the learning curve going to be for the fourth graders to transition from the regular iPad that they're using now to this Chromebook?" Mr. Allen replied "Kids adapt super-fast, you put a new device in their hands they want to learn how to use it" Ms. Hatchett asked "What will be the cost per device?" Mr. Allen replied "Lower price is \$180, for touch screen \$250" Ms. Hatchett continued "My concern is how we are going to utilize the devices we purchased already?" Mr. Allen replied "We are still going to use those devices in different grade levels until their 3 year cycle ends, we are just recommending to start the transition to Chromebook, because all the benefits that come with it"
- Dr. Norrell asked "Can you mention the cost of the devices the kids are using currently"? Mr. Allen replied "\$365" Dr. Norrell stated "That is a nice saving cost per device". We will come back to this committee and lay out a final cost proposal and integration plan for the board to review".

II. Return to Building Tentative Schedule

<u>Presenter: Dr. Lori Campbell</u>

- Dr. Campbell presented the tentative return to building schedule:
 - a. January 11th Kindergarten
 - b. January 19th- Pre-K and 1st to 5th
 - c. January 25th 6th to 12th
- Teachers will return the week of January 4, 2020. Dr. Campbell also shared the Hybrid Schedule.
- The Hybrid Schedule: Monday Thursday (two days in-person and two days remote based on last name alpha slice). Each Friday will be full remote learning for deep cleaning building.

III. ACCESS Testing

Presenter: Dr. Rita Guzman

- Dr. Guzman provided an overview of ACCESS testing for FY21
- ACCESS is administered to Kindergarten 12th grade students who are identified as English Language Learners (ELL).
- EA have approximately 6000 ELL students
- Dr. Guzman shared the following testing schedule:
 - a. January 13th Kindergarten
 - b. February 1st 1st and 2nd

- c. January 25th 3rd to 5th
- d. January 12th 6th to 8th
- e. January 12th 9th to 12th

IV. ISBE Immunization Compliance Update

Presenter Dr. Lori Campbell

- Dr. Campbell provided District 131 Immunizations Compliance Data.
- ISBE is holding firm on the October 15th deadline.
- Students who are currently non-compliant can continue with remote learning without being excluded.
- When students return to the buildings, any non-compliant students will be excluded.

V. ISBE Special Education Accountability/Support System Determination

<u>Presenter: Dr. Lori Campbell</u>

• Dr. Campbell shared the ISBE Special Education Accountability and Support System Determination Report. She thanked the department of Student Services for doing a tremendous job of making sure we met all the requirements, she added "We are in good standing and no further action is required at this time".

VI. Parent University

Presenter: Dr. Lori Campbell

• Dr. Campbell presented to the board a copy of the Virtual Parent University flyer. The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2020.

VII. Powered by Action - Proposal Renewal

Presenter: Dr. Jennifer Norrell

- Powered by Action is East Aurora's parent communication app.
- The district would like to continue using this communication app to engage and support parents. The app features curriculum resources for parents.
- The renewal total cost \$53,773.00

VIII. High School FY22 Course Proposals

Presenter: Jonathan Simpson and Jennifer Brickman

- Mr. Simpson and Mrs. Brinkman shared FY21 High School Course proposals which included new courses and proposed changes:
 - a. Proposed Change: "Computer Operations and Game Development", change from one semester to yearlong course. Rationale: students will be able to earn certification(s).
 - b. New Course: World Language: "Chinese Language and Culture". Rationale: this course will provide another opportunity for students to earn the Seal of Biliteracy.
 - c. New Course: "Reading and Writing for College", a transitional English course in conjunction with Waubonsee Community College. Rationale: allows placement into credit bearing courses at any state junior college and university.
- Total cost for textbooks and certification licenses \$20,432.80

IX. Attendance and Enrollment

<u>Presenter: Dr. Lori Campbell</u>

- Dr. Campbell presented the attendance report. She stated, we are still holding firm with elementary attendance at 95%, we see a slight increase with middle school. We are giving attention to the HS and Extension Campus. It is a proud moment in East Aurora.
- Dr. Campbell shared the attendance numbers are very impressive, but we're going to keep striving to be even better. We know our teachers are very intentional regarding student attendance
- Ms. Hatchett asked "What do you think we are doing as a district that is helping our attendance rate?" Dr. Campbell answered "We have a social emotional learning block at the top of every morning for every student to

have an opportunity to talk through their feelings and concerns", she added "I believe the kids really enjoy talking about what they are feeling or what is going on regarding the pandemic. They are given a chance to release what they are thinking and discuss their fears. We are also giving our students the option to participate without sharing their videos, because we do not want other students to experience home shaming" This strategy is working.

X. Old Business- None
XI. New Business- None
XII. Public Comments- None
XIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.