

East Granby Board of Education
Curriculum Subcommittee Minutes for
March 21, 2024

Welcome

Board members in attendance include Lisa Griffin, Lynn Landolina along with Marjorie Light, Director of Curriculum and PD. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

New Business

- **Setting subcommittee calendar through June.** The committee discussed conflicts in the upcoming months and settled on having April and May's meetings on a Wednesday at 5:00 pm. In June, the meeting will be on the 20th, so as not to conflict with Juneteenth. Summer and fall meetings will be set at a future time.
- **New state curriculum for financial literacy course.** The state has published the new financial literacy curriculum for the newly required class. The curriculum, however, is not mandated, but an open source offering to make it easier and less expensive for districts to run this class. Since East Granby Public Schools already has the program in place, we can use this vetted curriculum to augment our program. Additionally, the state has expanded the teacher certifications that are allowed to instruct this course.
- **Partnering with other districts on curriculum initiatives** - Marjorie shared how she has been partnering with other districts on curriculum, as well as professional development. For iReady math, K-7, two districts are discussing sharing resources and PD. EGPS is helping two different districts explore their adoption of Savvas via virtual meetings with our faculty and administrators and our neighboring districts, as well as allowing a few teachers from nearby to visit and see our excellent faculty in action using Savvas myView. For the high school science department, Marjorie is meeting with three districts to review their completed curriculum. These districts have offered to connect their faculty with ours, since so many of our teachers are the lone instructor of a course. Lastly, the Assistant Superintendent/Directors of Curriculum group that Marjorie coordinates have about 30 members who meet virtually bimonthly and share resources through a Listserv. One of their main focus points right now is preparing

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- **Senior Capstone Presentations** - Marjorie shared that the Capstone presentations are at the halfway mark and going well. Some of the seniors will share their presentations at a Board of Education meeting in the coming months. This year, we are sharing the requirements with the juniors in the spring, which will allow the students to work on their projects in the summer before their senior year, if they so choose. This will open up more opportunities for students to job shadow, use internships, and do volunteer work without interfering with their classes.

Adjournment - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Submitted by,

Marjorie Light
Director of Curriculum and PD