

Holmdel Township Board of Education
Curriculum and Instruction Committee
Meeting Notes
March 17, 2010 – 6:00PM
Central Office Conference Room

Present

Board Members: Ray Tai, Mary Hartnett, Ana Vander Woude
Administrators: Barbara Duncan, Mary Beth Currie
Absent: Mike Collins

World Language Level 4 – The Committee discussed the needs of high school students in the area of world language. We currently offer a fourth year of a language only as an honors course. This does not meet the needs of all of our students some of whom would take a fourth year if it was offered as a regular course. Not right now, but perhaps two years from now, we would like to plan to offer a fourth year of at least one world language.

Algebra I, Grade 7 Math – The committee discussed and supports Algebra I being offered in the seventh grade. Data collected from the past few years indicates that we have and will continue to have a select group of students who would benefit from taking this course in seventh grade. Placement criteria was developed by administrators and math teachers. As a result, the mathematics criteria will be modified to reflect the additional course in the program studies.

Academic Integrity Policy- The Committee was presented with a draft of an Academic Integrity Policy for Holmdel High School for review. It will be discussed at a later meeting.

Textbook Adoptions -The Committee recommends the following textbooks for adoption:

1. Holt McDougal Larson Algebra 1 (cost \$75.20 each, 250 books needed)
2. Miller & Levine Biology (87.97 each, 230 books needed)
3. Mirrors & Windows: Connecting with Literature-American Tradition (75.95, 300 books needed)

Donations - The Committee recommends the acceptance of the following generous donations:

1. Computer equipment donated by John Rothhauser - \$450
Dell 24" Monitor S/N: MX-0CC302-46634-721MES eBay value
Dell Dimension E520 S/n: BCKKLC1 with wireless keyboard and Mouse
eBay value: \$224
HP color LaserJet 2600n S/N:CNBC55R25Z ebay value: \$292
2. Anonymous donation of Recapturing the Spirit by Eric Neisser \$15.95

The next meeting is scheduled for April 7th, 6:00PM, Central Office Conference Room.