

Portage Public Schools
Curriculum Instruction Council
MINUTES
Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Nancy Haas called the meeting of the Curriculum Instruction Council to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Members present: Brian Abbott, Christine Berro, Joanne Beverage, Michelle Braat, Tim Brown, Barb Burkholz, Nancy Clinton, Lynne Cowart, Amy DiMaggio, John Dunlop, Diana Falahee, Dale Freeland, Nancy Haas, Mike Huber, Larry Killips, Amy Koffler, Holly Marusek, Rita McKenzie, Jim Moiles, Lynn Montgomery, Paul Murray, Cori Palmere, Kelli Palsrok, Wendy Pennell, Mary Rogers, Shelley Rowilson, Tama Salisbury, Chuck Schira, Kelly Schultz, Mary L. Scott, Rick Searing, Derrick Townsend, Rhonda VanderVeen, Thea Vaughn, Dan Vomastek, Lindsay Wagner, Stephanie Wagner, Jeanna Walker, Joanne Willson, Jessica Winstanley, Marty Witt, Marcia Working, Helen Wynkoop

Members absent: Jennifer Bonner, Donna Bourbeau, Shawn Felicijan, Rennee Flynn, Christy Gaines, Maggie Hills, Kelly Jensenius, Kelsey Kitchens, Mariam Konate, Angie Kuppler, Katie McDaniel, Carolyn Meyers, Karen Norton, Karen Prater, Mark Root, Deb Ross, Jerry Swoboda, Gail Van Daff,

Nancy Haas, CIC Facilitator, reviewed the CIC Group Norms.

Action Items:

- **Approval of November 30, 2011 Minutes**

Dale Freeland moved to approve the November 30, 2011 minutes as written.

Stephanie Wagner seconded. Motion carried.

- **5th-8th Grade Curriculum Scope and Sequence Changes Proposal**

Stephanie Wagner moved to discuss.

Jim Moiles seconded.

Mrs. Haas called for discussion.

Stephanie Wagner moved to approve proposal as written.

Dale Freeland seconded. Motion carried.

- **8th Grade Honors Level Course Offering Proposal**

Jim Moiles moved to discuss.

Rick Searing seconded.

Mrs. Haas called for discussion.

Dan Vomastek motioned to approve the 8th Grade Honors Level Course Offering proposal as written with the following modifications: that the passing percent for the purposes of testing out of the high school class be changed to the State guidelines of 77.5% and that the requirement to pass the test-out exam to earn high school credit be dropped if the student successfully completes the course at the middle school level.

Diana Falahee seconded. Motion carried.

- **Chemistry 2 / Physics 2 Honors Level Course Offerings and IB Chemistry SL / IB Physics SL Course Offerings Proposal**

Mrs. Haas and Mrs. Cowart reviewed the motion options for the high school proposal. Christine Berro provided Robert's Rules clarifications.

Dan Vomastek motioned to split the proposal into two (2) separate proposals: one proposal for the honors courses and a separate proposal for the IB courses.

Jeanna Walker seconded.

Motion carried.

- **Chemistry 2 / Physics 2 Honors Level Course Offerings**

Mrs. Haas called for discussion on the proposal

Cori Palmere motioned to approve.

Holly Marusek seconded.

Motion carried.

- **IB Chemistry SL / IB Physics SL Course Offerings Proposal**

Dale Freeland motioned to approve.

Rita McKenzie seconded.

Mrs. Haas called for discussion.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Dale Freeland moved to withdraw his motion to approve the proposal.

Amy Koffler seconded.

Motion carried.

Kelly Schultz moved to refer the proposal back to the committee/department for further study and data collection and report back to CIC in May with a recommendation

Mike Huber seconded

Motion carried.

Announcements:

***** Please note the next CIC meeting is scheduled for WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2012 *****

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.