

Salem School District
Curriculum Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Regular Meeting
Monday, October 23, 2023
Media Center
6:00 PM

Present: Kelly Francis and Dan Marsh
Administration: Megin Sechen, Assistant Principal/Curriculum Director
Visitors: Joanna Priest, Gr. 6 Math/Science Teacher

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Kelly Francis.
2. The subcommittee unanimously approved the meeting minutes from September 25, 2023. (DM/KF)
3. World Language Program Update and Proposal: After November 1, 2023 6th graders will be able to take French or Spanish for the remainder of the school year.
4. Student Led Conference Pilot Update: Mrs. Priest and Mrs. Leinbach will be piloting student-led conferences this year. Mrs. Priest discussed how she is approaching this with her students and presented her data binder template (includes goal sheets, benchmark data and self-reflection sheets) to the subcommittee. Mrs. Priest and Mrs. Leinbach will come to a full Board of Education meeting in the near future regarding student-led conferences.
5. Update on New CT Social Studies Standards: Mrs. Sechen stated that they are doing a crosswalk between English Language Arts and Social Studies standards. We are looking at having Science and Social Studies curriculum writing this summer. They are working on streamlining curriculum and resources.
6. Discuss Play-Based Teaching Methods: Mrs. Sechen shared the public act focused on play-based learning with the subcommittee.

The focus for Salem: How do we integrate this with writing? How do we find PD for older grades?
7. Other:
 - Computer Science mandates
8. Next Meeting: November 27, 2023 at 6:00 pm.
9. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. (KF/DM)