

**CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING  
EAST HARTFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MONDAY  
September 13, 2010**

A meeting of the East Hartford Board of Education Curriculum Committee was held on Monday, September 13, 2010 in Room 109 at the Connecticut International Baccalaureate Academy, 857 Forbes St., East Hartford, CT 06118.

**PRESENT** Dorese Roberts, Chair

**ALSO PRESENT** Jeff Currey, Committee Member  
Marcus C. Oladell IV, Committee Member  
Mark Zito, Superintendent  
Debbie Kaprove, Assistant Superintendent  
Marcia Huddy, Secondary Curriculum Supervisor  
Linda Iverson, Elementary Curriculum Supervisor  
Michelle Eckler, Department Head, Language Arts  
Tod Kenney, Department Head, Mathematics  
Michelle Hacker, Department Head, CTE  
Ram Aberasteria, Board Member  
Mary Alice Dwyer, Board Chair

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M. by Ms. Roberts.

Motion:

By Ms. Dorese Roberts

To approve the minutes of the June 7, 2010 Curriculum Committee Meeting

Seconded by Mr. Marcus C. Oladell IV

Correspondence: None

The department heads of language arts and mathematics attended the meeting to give a curriculum update on work that has been done in the spring and summer. A group of teachers in the language arts department and the department head, Michelle Eckler worked on the curriculum draft for grades 7-10. They consulted with Larry Ainsworth in January on the curriculum draft and again in June. The curriculum was posted online over the summer. It was formally rolled out in August during the back to school professional development. The curriculum document, which is available on a password protected website, provides teachers with common assessments and pre and post tests. It gives teachers access to state standards, curriculum documents, assessments and streamlined units for use day to day.

The mathematics department headed by Tod Kenney worked on their curriculum update. The math curriculum was also rolled out their curriculum to teachers this summer and fall. They created a pacing calendar for staff. This information is also available to teachers electronically with hyperlinks to quiz samples, state standards and CAPT strands.

Dr. Iverson worked with the elementary staff on the PreK to grade 6 curriculum in language arts and mathematics. They also consulted with Larry Aisworth in January and June. Last winter teams of teachers and literacy coaches met to examine and prioritize the grade level expectations. Over the summer they unwrapped the curriculum standards and developed essential questions and big ideas. They created a planning guide using the same components as the secondary level. These documents were distributed to all teachers and are also available electronically to provide consistency across the district. This availability is especially helpful for students who switch schools within the district. Santosha Oliver, Coordinator of Evaluation, Assessment and Research, is working on an analysis of CMT scores to the level of individual students. She will meet with teachers with this information to help them with targeted instruction.

Michelle Hacker, Department Head of Career and Technical Education, worked with staff this summer on their curriculum at the middle and high school levels. They consulted with David Cormier. The English and mathematics curriculum format will be used to complete the CTE curriculum.

Dorese Roberts moved to adjourn meeting  
Seconded by Marcis C. Oladell IV  
Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Judy Burnham