

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT

Curriculum Committee
of the
Trumbull Board of Education

Special Meeting

Via Audio Conferencing
Thursday, November 5, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order/Introduction – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ward at 1:03 p.m.

Members present

M. Ward, chair
M. Petitti
L. Timpanelli
J. Budd, Ph.D., ex officio

Other

M. Guarino, Principal, Trumbull High School
C. Siano, A-House Principal, Trumbull High School
K. Durand, visual arts teacher, Trumbull High School
K. Willett, visual arts teacher, Trumbull High School
T. Manuel, C-House Principal, Trumbull High School
C. Rusate, Career & Technical Education Department Chair, Trumbull High School
A. Tartaglia, business education teacher, Trumbull High School
D. Richards, family & consumer sciences and business education teacher, Trumbull High School
J. Amaturio, technology education teacher, Trumbull High School
V. DiScala, Wellness Department Chair, Trumbull High School
B. Moore, K-12 Wellness Team Leader & wellness teacher, Trumbull High School
K. Rubano, Social Studies Department Chair, Trumbull High School

- II. Correspondence / Public Comment – Dr. Budd noted that the public was invited to send any comments via e-mail, and that he had not received any.

- III. Approval/Minutes – Special Meeting 10/21/2020
Ms. Petitti moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Ms. Timpanelli seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

- IV. New Business

- a. Visual Art & Design Curriculum Guide – Ms. Durand presented the main elements of this survey course, which is successfully preparing students for future art courses at Trumbull High School. Ms. Petitti supported the growth of the arts at Trumbull High School, and Ms. Timpanelli praised the curriculum guide’s assessment rubric. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- b. Mixed Media Curriculum Guide – Ms. Willett outlined ways in which this course makes art and cultural connections linked with craft-based, indigenous resources: function, then beauty. Mr. Ward praised the interest level of the course design. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- c. Web Design: HTML & CSS Curriculum Guide – Ms. Tartaglia explained that the updated curriculum incorporates the latest technology, and prepares students for future work in computer science. Mr. Ward supported the high number of students enrolled in this and other career and technical education courses. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

The Committee recessed from 1:21 p.m. to 1:31 p.m.

- e. Child Development Curriculum Guide – Ms. Richards grounded her discussion of this course in the complex development of students. Ms. Timpanelli noted the value of this subject matter for students. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- d. Automotive Systems Curriculum Guide – Mr. Iaccarino explained the hands-on nature of this intermediate automotive course. Ms. Timpanelli praised the work of Mr. Iaccarino and his colleagues in engaging students in their learning. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- f. Investing and the Stock Market Curriculum Guide – Ms. Richards explained her recent professional learning in this area, and the curriculum resources provided by the Next Gen Personal Finance Organization. Ms. Petitti observed the connection between this course and students’ advancement in mathematical thinking. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

- g. The Business of Fashion Curriculum Guide – Ms. Richards noted how fashion is a particularly multi-faceted, ever-changing business. Ms. Petitti confirmed the strength of this curriculum design for Trumbull High School students. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- h. Robotics II Draft for Pilot 2020-21 Curriculum Guide – Mr. Amatore explained how Robotics II has built off students’ previous work in Robotics I. Mr. Ward noted the value of extracurricular robotics involvement for interested students. Dr. Budd explained that the full curriculum guide for Robotics II would be developed at a later point, then brought to the Curriculum Committee and then the full Board of Education.
- i. Competitive Recreational Games Curriculum Guide – Mr. DiScala explained this course design involving more complex physical education awareness, as well as modifications necessary in the current COVID-19 environment. Ms. Timpanelli praised the value of physical education. Ms. Timpanelli moved to bring the curriculum guide to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- j. New Course Proposal: Health 11: Mindfulness & Movement – Dr. Budd explained to the Committee that the new graduation requirements effective with the THS Class of 2023 (next year’s juniors) necessitate a new grade 11 health course. Mr. Moore noted the value of students’ taking health each year at Trumbull High School, and explained the proposed emphasis on mindfulness and movement. Mr. Ward underscored the value of wellness education for students. Ms. Petitti moved to bring the new course proposal to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Timpanelli seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- m. New Course Proposal: African American / Black and Puerto Rican / Latino Studies
Dr. Budd reminded the Committee of the history of this new course in State legislation. Ms. Rubano situated the proposal in terms of the importance of expanding the instructional program, and the potential interdisciplinary links that could occur, which Ms. Timpanelli supported. Ms. Petitti moved to bring the new course proposal to the Board of Education for approval at its meeting scheduled for November 10, 2020, and Ms. Timpanelli seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.
- l. Approval of 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting Dates – Dr. Budd presented the 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting Dates included in the Committee packet. Ms. Timpanelli moved to accept those 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting Dates, and Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

- k. Report, Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Budd shared the chart of curriculum guide revision dates; the matrix is attached to these Minutes. He reviewed the progress of various projects on the chart.

Ms. Timpanelli moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:24 p.m.; Ms. Petitti seconded. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

Trumbull Public Schools PreK-12 Curriculum Guides

November 5, 2020

**Prepared by Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D.,
Assistant Superintendent**

Factors Guiding Prioritization

- Date of most recent Trumbull BOE approval
- Revision date of state content-area standards and/or relevant legislation
- Alignment between current curriculum and current assessment framework
- Frequency of course offering & number of students enrolled
- Sufficiency of staff available for curriculum writing

Key

- **courses new for 2019-20**
- **courses new for 2020-21**
- **“in process 2020-21”** – anticipated for BOE Curriculum Cmte. review by 7/31/21
(* indicates already in processing for BOE Curriculum Cmte.)

TECEC

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Unified Prekindergarten	2018

Regional Agriscience and Biotechnology Program

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Integrated Physical Science (Agri)	2018 [see Science]
Biology (Agri)	2020 [see Science]
Agriscience 9	2016
Agriscience 10	2005
H UCONN Agri Biotechnology	2003
H Animal Science	2004
H UCONN Plant Science	2003
H UCONN Veterinary Science	2019 (Year 1 of 2) in process 2020-21 (Year 2 of 2)
H UCONN Equine Science	2009
H UCONN Large Animal Science	--- (not running 2020-21)
H UCONN Natural Resources and Environmental Science	--- (not running 2020-21)

Art

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Elementary Art	2019
Middle School Art	2017
Visual Art & Design	--- in process 2020-21*
Basic Drawing	1990
Painting	2003
Painting II	---
Painting III	---
Beginning Ceramics	2017
Intermediate Ceramics	2016
Advanced Ceramics	---
Sculpture	--- (not running 2020-21)
Photography	2017
Advanced Drawing and Illustration	--- in process 2020-21
Mixed Media	--- in process 2020-21*
AP Studio Art: 2-D Art and Design	2018
AP Studio Art: 3-D Art and Design	--- in process 2020-21
AP Art History	2019

Business Education

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Business Concepts	2011
Computer Technology	2014
Communications	2017
Web Design: HTML & CSS	2016 in process 2020-21*
Video Production	2010
Personal Finance	2017
Investing and the Stock Market	--- in process 2020-21*
Business Finance	2019
Accounting I	2018
H CCP Principles of Financial Accounting	2020
Entrepreneurship	2017
Leadership & Character Development	2002
Sports and Entertainment Marketing	2017
H CCP Principles of Marketing	2009
H Applications of Marketing	2019
The Business of Fashion	--- in process 2020-21*

Computer Science

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Coding K-2	Draft for Pilot 2016-17 in process 2020-21
Coding 3-5	--- in process Draft for Pilot 2020-21
Digital Literacy and Innovations [Grades 6-8]	2019
Cybersecurity	2020
AP Computer Science Principles	2018
AP Computer Science A	2019

Drama

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Theatre Performance 1	2019
Theatre Tech 1	2020
Theatre Tech 2	
Theatre Exploration: Plays	--- (not running 2019-20 or 2020-21)
Theatre Exploration: The American Musical	2020

English Language Learners

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
ELL K-12	2013
THS ELL: English Language Learners – Beginning Level	2014
THS ELL: English Language Learners – Intermediate Level	2014
English Language Study	2014

English Language Arts

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Balanced Literacy: Kindergarten Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Kindergarten Writing	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 1 Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 1 Writing	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 2 Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 2 Writing	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 3 Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 3 Writing	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 4 Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 4 Writing	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 5 Reading	2019
Balanced Literacy: Grade 5 Writing	2019
Integrated Literacy Grade 6	2018
Integrated Literacy Grade 7	2018
Language Arts Grade 8	2019
Grade 8 Reading Study	2019
English 9	2018
English 10	2017
English 11 – American Perspectives	2016
AP English Language & Composition	--- in process 2020-21
AP English Literature & Composition	2003 in process 2020-21
Science Fiction	2007
Literature of Peace, Protest, and Tolerance	2014
H World Literature	2014
A Critical Approach to Popular Literature	2014
H Dramaturgy	2016
H Journalism	2003 in process 2020-21
Film as Literature	2014
Creative Writing	2003 in process 2020-21
H Mythology	2018
Adolescent Experience	2009
Inquiry into Contemporary Texts and Issues	2019

H Shakespeare	2017
Modern Drama	2017
Poetry	2014
Senior Writing Workshop	2019
Journalism I/ Journalism II	2017
Literacy Workshop I	2018
Literacy Workshop II	2014
Editing & Publishing <i>The Eagle's Eye</i>	--- (not running 2020-21)
Editing & Publishing <i>Trillium</i>	---

Family and Consumer Sciences

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Family & Consumer Sciences 6-8	1997
Child Development	2010 in process 2020-21*
H UCONN Individual & Family Development	2018
Culinary I	2004
Culinary II	2016
Bake Shop I	2017
Bake Shop II	2017

Interdisciplinary

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Library Media K-12	2006
Library Media K-2	in process 2020-21
TAG	--- in process 2020-21
Foundations for Success	2014 in process 2020-21 (not running 2020-21)
Group Dynamics	---
Science Explorations	2019

Mathematics

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Elementary Mathematics	2014
Mathematics Grade 6	2014 in process 2020-21
Pre-Algebra	2016 in process 2020-21
Algebra I (1 year)	2016
Algebra I Extended (2 year)	--- in process 2020-21*
Math Workshop I	2018
Math Workshop II	---

	in process 2020-21* (not running 2020-21)
Geometry	2018 (CP & ACP); 2011 (H) H in process 2020-21
Algebra II	2015 (CP); 2015 (ACP); 2014 (H) in process 2020-21*
Introductory College Mathematics	--- in process 2020-21
Practical Applications of Mathematics	--- in process 2020-21
ACP Statistics	2007
AP Statistics	2019
ACP Precalculus	2018
H Precalculus	2016
ACP Calculus	2016
AP Calculus AB	2018
AP UCONN Calculus BC	2016
Multivariable Calculus	2018

Music

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Elementary General / Vocal Music	2015
Elementary Strings Year 1	2015
Elementary Strings Year 2	2015
Elementary Strings Year 3	2015
Elementary Band Year 1	2002
Elementary Band Year 2	2002
Exploring Music Grade 6	2002
Exploring Music Grade 7	2002
Exploring Music Grade 8	2002
Middle School Vocal Music	2002
Beginning Strings (6-8)	2015
6 th -, 7 th -, and 8 th -Grade Strings at the Intermediate Achievement Level	2015
Beginning Band (6)	2002
Sixth-Grade Band	2002
Seventh-Grade Band	2002
Eighth-Grade Band	2002
Freshman Chorus	2016
Concert Choir	2016
Honors Chamber Singers	2016
Vocal Music Ensembles	2016
Marching/Symphonic Band	2003
Concert Band	2003
Winter Percussion	---

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Jazz Band	2003
String Orchestra (9-10 & 11-12)	2015
Chamber Strings Ensemble	Draft for Pilot 2016-17
Music Theory	2016
Advanced Music Theory	2016
AP Music Theory	Draft for Pilot 2016-17
Music Fundamentals: Pop/Rock [History and Influence of Rock and Roll on Society]	2016
Digital Music Technology	--- in process 2020-21
Guitar I	--- in process 2020-21
Guitar II	--- in process 2020-21

Science

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Elementary Science	1996
Science Kindergarten	2017
Science Grade 1	2019
Science Grade 2	2019
Science Grade 3	in process 2020-21
Science Grade 4	in process 2020-21
Science Grade 5	in process 2020-21
Science 6-8	2008
Integrated Earth Sciences Grade 6	Draft for Pilot 2017-18 in process 2020-21
Science Grade 7	Draft for Pilot 2018-19 in process 2020-21
Science Grade 8	in process 2020-21
Integrated Physical Science	2018
Biology	2020
AP Biology	2018
Chemistry	2020
AP Chemistry	2019
CP Physics	2013
ACP Physics	2013
AP Physics 1	2020
UCONN Physics 1	---
AP Physics C	---
CP Human Anatomy & Physiology	2013
ACP Human Anatomy & Physiology	in process 2020-21*
H Human Anatomy & Physiology	
ACP Marine Science & Environmental Science	2016
AP Environmental Science	2020
Science Academy	---

Social Studies

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Social Studies Kindergarten	1985
Social Studies Grade 1	1996
Social Studies Grade 2	1985
Social Studies Grade 3	1997
Social Studies Grade 4	2005
Social Studies Grade 5	2002
Social Studies Grade 6	2017
Social Studies Grade 7	2019
Social Studies Grade 8	2019
Global Civilizations (all levels)	2014
United States History (all levels)	2016
AP U.S. History	2013
U.S. Economic System (all levels)	2015
AP UCONN Microeconomics & Macroeconomics	2016
CP U.S. Political Systems	2015
ACP U.S. Political Systems	2015
H U.S. Political Systems	2015
AP United States Government and Politics / UCONN Constitutional Studies (We the People)	2015
AP United States Government and Politics	2016
Archeology & Historical Topics	2013
Comparative World Religions	2013
Cultural Anthropology	2016
H UCONN Problems of Philosophy (Introduction to Philosophy)	2013
Justice & Law	2013
H Justice & Law: Civil Law	2020
H Justice & Law: Criminal Law	2020
Psychology	2013
Sociology	2008
H Global Insights	2018
AP Comparative Government and Politics	2016
AP UCONN European History	2018
AP Psychology	2014
AP Human Geography	2019

Special Education

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Academics for Life 6-8	2011 in process 2020-21
Reading (6490, 7490, 8490)	---
Mathematics 6 (6290)	---
Mathematics 7 (7290)	---

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Mathematics 8 (8290, 8390)	---
Grades 6-8 STRIDE	2018
Skills for Success (6666, 7777, 8888)	---
Resource	2013
Reading Strategies	---
Reading Intensive	---
English for Life	---
English 9-10	2019
English 11-12	--- in process 2020-21
Mathematics for Life	---
Math Applications	---
Algebra	---
Science Explorations	2019
Academics for Daily Living	2011 in process 2020-21
Employment Explorations	2019
Fundamentals of English (SRP)	---
Fundamentals of Math (SRP)	---
SRP Resource	---
SRP Vocational Instruction	--- in process 2020-21
Transition 18-21	2016

Technology Education

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Technology Education 6-8	1992
Digital Design & Printing	2019
Wood Technology I	---
Wood Technology II	---
Drafting & Design	1993
Introduction to Architecture	2016
Advanced Architecture I: Structural Systems	2004 in process 2020-21
Advanced Architecture II: Landscape & Commercial Architecture	--- in process 2020-21
Basic Metal Processing	2016
CNC Plasma Manufacturing	---
Electronics	2004
Transportation Engineering Technology	2019
Introduction to Automotive Technology	2011
Small Engine Principles	--- in process 2020-21
Automotive Systems	--- in process 2020-21*
Robotics I	Draft for Pilot 2018-19

Robotics II	--- in process 2020-21*
Video Game Design	--- in process 2020-21

Wellness (Health / Physical Education)

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Elementary Health	2004
Elementary Physical Education	2015
Health 6-8	2018
Physical Education 6-8	2017
Physical Education 9	2014
Physical Education 10	2014
Physical Education 11	2014
Personal Fitness	2014
Health 9	2019
Health 10	2019
Senior Seminar	2016
Basic Weight Training	2019
Advanced Weight Training / Powerlifting	--- in process 2020-21
Competitive Recreation Games	--- in process 2020-21*
Individual Lifetime Sports	--- in process 2020-21

World Languages

Course Title	Most Recent BOE Approval
Spanish Grade 5	2019
French Grade 6	2008 in process 2020-21
French Grade 7	1997
French Grade 8	1997
Spanish Grade 6	2019
Spanish Grade 7	1997 in process 2020-21
Spanish Grade 8	1998 in process 2020-21
French I	2014
French II	2007
French III	2008
H French III	2008
French IV	2016
H French IV	2002
French V	2014

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H French V	2014
AP French Language & Culture	2019
Italian Conversation & Culture I	2011
Italian I	2008
Italian Conversation & Culture II	2011 in process 2020-21*
Italian II	2010 in process 2020-21*
H Italian II	2018 in process 2020-21*
Italian Conversation & Culture III	2011
Italian III	2002
H Italian III	2004
Italian IV	2016
H Italian IV	2007
AP Italian Language & Culture	2018
Spanish Conversation & Culture I	2011 (C&C); 2007
Spanish I	in process 2020-21
Spanish Conversation & Culture II	2012 (C&C); 2007
Spanish II	in process 2020-21
Spanish Conversation & Culture III	2018 (C&C); 2008
Spanish III	in process 2020-21
H Spanish III	
Spanish Conversation & Culture IV	2019
Spanish IV	2009
H Spanish IV	2000
Spanish V	2013
H Spanish V	2009
AP Spanish Language & Culture	1999 in process 2020-21*
Latin I	2001
Latin II	2001
H Latin II	2019
Latin III	2008
H Latin III	---
Latin IV	2016
H Latin IV	2016
AP Latin	2018