



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education
Educational Services Committee

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Katie Bielski-Medina
Troy Bier
Larry Davis
Sandra Hett
John Krings, President

December 7, 2020

LOCATION: Board of Education, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids WI
Conference Room A/B

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Benbow, Jr., Katie Bielski-Medina, Troy Bier, Larry Davis,
Sandra Hett, John Krings

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Mary Rayome

OTHERS PRESENT: Craig Broeren, David Bergerson, Roxanne Filtz, Dani Scott

I. Call to Order

John Krings called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. New Course/Curriculum Proposals - Decision

Roxanne Filtz, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, stated that since the last Educational Services Meeting in November, the CII Committee met and discussed each of the new course/curriculum proposals, and the results of voting were attached in the background. Before the Committee voted on each proposal, she asked if there were any questions. A question was raised as to why there were more negative votes for Topics in Physical Science and Topics of Life Science than the other courses. Ms. Filtz indicated that the purpose of the courses is to offer science courses that meet the academic needs and provide a different avenue to fulfill the graduation requirements of those students who don't particularly like science. Some on CII believe this could lead to tracking students, but the majority felt it met the needs of our diverse student population.

ES-1 Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Troy Bier to approve of the course History Through Media for a one-half credit elective course at Lincoln High School (LHS) for grades 11 and 12 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-2 Motion by Sandra Hett, seconded by Katie Bielski-Medina to approve the Transcribed Credit Course Introduction to Diversity Studies for a 0.5 elective course at LHS for grades 11 and 12 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-3 Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the course American History in Depth for a 0.5 elective course at LHS for 10th grade APUS students as well as 11th and 12th grade students who have completed their LHS American History requirement to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-4 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course America's Voice for a 0.5 social studies credit and a 0.5 ELA credit at LHS for 10th grade APUSH students as well as students who have completed their LHS American History requirement to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-5 Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Katie Bielski-Medina to approve the course America's Story for a 0.5 social studies credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-6 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Sandra Hett to approve the course Health, Safety and Nutrition Blended for a 0.5 Family and Consumer Sciences MSTC Transcribed Credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-7 Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Katie Bielski-Medina to approve the course Physics I or Conceptual Physics for a 0.5 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-8 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course Astronomy for a 0.5 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-9 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Sandra Hett to approve the course Topics in Physical Science for a 0.5 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-10 Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course Topics in Life Science for a 0.5 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-11 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course PLTW Biomedical Science-Human Body Systems for a 1.0 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-12 Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the course Environmental Science 1 for 0.5 science credit at LHS to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-13 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Katie Bielski-Medina to approve the course name change of Comprehensive Natural Science – Chemistry/Biology A (CNS 10A) to Chemistry 1 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-14 Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the course name change of Principles of Chemistry to Chemistry 2 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-15 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course name change of Chemistry Applications to Chemistry 3 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-16 Motion by Katie Bielski-Medina, seconded by Sandra Hett to approve the course name change of CNS 10B to Microbiology to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-17 Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the course name change of Principles of Biology to Macrobiology to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-18 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the course name change of Principle of Environment to Environmental Science 2 to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-19 Motion by Troy Bier, seconded by Katie Bielski-Medina to approve the course name change of Comprehensive Natural Science – Physics/Earth Science B to Earth Structure and Processes to begin in the 2021-22 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

ES-20 Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the pre-requisite change for Explorations from attempting Algebra 1 before taking Geometry and attempting Algebra 1 and Geometry prior to taking Explorations to instead pass Algebra 1 before taking Geometry and pass Algebra 1 and attempt Geometry prior to taking Explorations.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. WRPS Special Education Statutory Requirements and Procedures Handbook

Dr. Dani Scott, Director of Pupil Services, was present to answer questions regarding the WRPS Handbook of Special Education Systematic Requirements and Procedures. She explained that Wisconsin law requires local educational agencies to establish written procedures for implementing state and federal special education requirements, resulting in the development of this document. Dr. Scott indicated that a template was provided to help with the creation of this document, and she then tweaked it to fit Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools.

ES-21 Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Troy Bier to approve the WRPS Handbook of Special Education Systematic Requirements and Procedures.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates

A. Virtual Student Enrollment Numbers

Ms. Filtz pointed out that enrollment numbers were provided for both the end of the first trimester as well as the beginning of trimester 2. Administration thought there could be noticeable changes, but found that there weren't. It was agreed that administration does not need to present numbers at the January Educational Services meeting since the Winter Break falls between now and then.

B. School and District Report Card

Because of the enactment of the 2019 Wisconsin Act 185 and the ESEA waiver granted by the Department of Education, no state or federal academic assessments were required for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years.

C. ESSER Funds

Ms. Filtz explained that the information provided in Attachment D reflects to date what has been budgeted for from CARES Act dollars. The total public allocation is \$744,799.87. Total parochial allocation is \$50,232.13. Not all funds have been spent yet, but all funds

have been budgeted at this time. It was also noted that the Legacy Foundation provided all the masks, t-shirts, and washers and dryers.

V. Consent Agenda Items

- ES-1 Course approval, History Through**
- ES-2 Course approval, Transcribed Credit Course Introduction to Diversity Studies**
- ES-3 Course approval, American History in Depth**
- ES-4 Course approval, America's Voice**
- ES-5 Course approval, America's Story**
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- ES-20 Pre-requisite change for Explorations**
- ES-21 WRPS Handbook of Special Education Systematic Requirements and Procedures**

VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

- Purchasing Policy (January)
- 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 School Calendars (January)
- Mid-Year AGR Report (February)
- Strategic Plan Updates (February)
- Student Travel Updates (February)

John Krings adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.