

RICE LAKE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Curriculum Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

5:30 PM

Conference Room

Administration Building, 30 Phipps Ave, Rice Lake, WI

- I. **The meeting was called to Order:** 5:31pm
- II. **Call to Order—Present: Committee Members:** Keven Jensen, Dianne Koser, Don Cuskey, Nellie Scheurer, Marsha Scherz
District Staff: Kasey Bergman, Tim Panasuk, Josh Tomesh
Absent:
Community: None
- III. **Marsha Scherz announced that a notice of the meeting was communicated by public notice as required by 19.84 of WI statutes.**
- IV. Don Cuskey motioned to move item IV - approval of September 19, 2023 meeting minutes to the last item on the agenda. Keven Jensen seconded the motion.
- V. **Agenda Items:**
 - A. Middle School Language Arts Update:
 - Kasey Bergman, Middle School Literacy Coach, presented information and updates on professional learning, curriculum, and instruction in Language Arts at the Middle School.
 - B. New HS Social Studies Course Updates:
 - Tim Panasuk presented the curriculum for the two new Social Studies courses: “9/11 and Modern History” and “Holocaust Studies”. He shared some of the resources that he is using to support the curriculum and engage the students with the content.
 - C. Other High School Course Updates:
 - Marsha Scherz presented an update on High School Math. The math department would like to eliminate Pre-Algebra, and instead offer a year-long Algebra 1 course in order to provide support for student success in Algebra 1.
 - The High School English Department is updating the English 10 curriculum this year. They will continue with a proposal for English 11 during the summer and fall of 2024.
 - D. School and District Accountability Reports:
 - Marsha Scherz presented some highlights from the Secure Preliminary Release of the School and District Report Cards. The public release will

be in mid-November, and the District and School Accountability Ratings will be shared with the Board at that time.

- VI. **Approval of September 19, 2023 meeting minutes:** Don Cuskey and Keven Jensen motioned to approve the September 19, 2023 meeting minutes. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- VII. **Next Meeting:** November 28, 2023 at 5:30pm at the Administration Building Conference Room.
- VIII. **Adjourn:** Keven Jensen and Nellie Scheurer motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Marsha Scherz on October 18, 2023