

WILLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Curriculum Committee
MINUTES

January 25, 2023

5:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting: Zoom Recording

Members Present

Tracey Anderson

Laura Rodriguez

Ann Grosjean

Also Present

Phil Stevens, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Erin Conley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Kristen Stevens, Literacy Coach

1. Call to order

Superintendent Stevens called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm

2. Review phonics curriculum

Laura Rodriguez asked clarifying questions about pieces of the curriculum. Dr. Conley shared why certain items were repeated in the first year, but would then be identified in one grade only in the future. Members discussed the balance of time to implement the phonics curriculum. Tracey Anderson noted the science of reading is clearly included in the curriculum document. Ann Grosjean noted that she could see the implementation already in her granddaughter's education. Minor edits were recommended to the curriculum writers. Kristen Stevens shared the connection between UFLI and LETRS training and how teachers are reviewing the data. Superintendent Stevens noted that they are working on a reading program waiver for the state and how the curriculum work they are doing exceeds the programs the state identified. He also shared he is looking into a grant to extend Dr. Conley's time in Willington for an additional year to manage curriculum implementation and revisions. The committee agreed that the document should be forwarded to the full Board of Education for review.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.

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