HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION/SPECIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES JUNE 13th, 2022 @ 5:00pm

Board Members Present: P. Reddy - Chair; E. Urbanski; K. Tuccillo; T. Wall (phone)

Administrators Present: Scott Cascone - Spdt; J. Charney - Interim Asst Spdt (phone), A. Lamoglia - Dir of

Special Services; D. Wrubel – G&T Supervisor, J. Arciero – Supervisor of Humanities

A. Killean – Math/Science Supervisor, T. Monteleone – K-6 Supervisor.

Meeting Location: Holmdel High School Library conference room

The committee met in person on Monday, June 13th at 5:00pm for its Curriculum and Instruction/Special Services Committee Meeting. The following agenda items were discussed.

Superintendent's Recommendations for Approval

- 1. <u>Approval of Out-of-District Travel, District Personnel</u>: reviewed list of teachers & staff attending various conferences. Most are on-line.
- 2. <u>Approval of Amendment to Professional Development, Non-public Staff</u>: reviewed list of St Benedict's teachers who are taking Wilson Reading/language systems on-line course. Paid via Title I funds.
- 3. <u>Approval of Professional Development, Non-public Staff</u>: reviewed list of St Benedict & St John Vianney teachers taking various professional development courses. Paid by Title II-A funds.
- 4. <u>Approval of Out of District Travel, Non Public Staff</u>: reviewed list of teachers attending various conferences (4 teachers from St Benedict's).
- 5. <u>Approval of Revised Policy#5512 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying First read</u> Reviewed HIB policy. Number of language edits & a few administrative changes the district & board can consider to implement in the district.
- 6. <u>Approval/Submittal of Comprehensive Equity Plan Statement of Assurance</u> Mandatory statement the district has to approve & sign each year.
- 7. <u>Approval of New Curriculum Writing Projects and Writers for the 2022/2023 School Year</u> Reviewed list of new curriculum writers for 2022/2023 school year (Tom Woods Science 4/5 grade)
- 8. Approval of Donation of books in the amount of \$1,653.73 for the 2022/2023 School Year
- 9. <u>Approval of Student Teachers/Clinical Practice/Observations/Field Experiences</u> reviewed list of 3 student teachers (1 social studies Satz student teacher & 2 counseling HS & Village)
- 10. Approval of Staff Summer Work 3 days a week for S Tetreault.
- 11. Acceptance of Monetary Donations from the Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence 17 grants from HFEE worth \$32k. Grants include photography class, robotics, table tennis, Hovercraft, earthquake, life skills room to a new free at Village school for the main entrance.

Special Services

- 1. Home/Hospital Instruction: Reviewed list of student(s) receiving home/hospital based instruction.
- 2. <u>Approval of Student Placements for 2022/2023 School Year</u> Reviewed list of student placements in outside schools for 2022/23 school year.
- 3. <u>Approval of Teachers to Attend Summer IEP Meetings</u> Reviewed list of teachers to attend summer IEP meetings. 30+ teachers.
- 4. Approval of Special Services Providers for the 2022/2023 School Year
- 5. Special Education Program and Services Evaluation In-depthly reviewed the special services evaluation. Numerous positive comments from funding, to staff involvement to educational & technology available to our special needs population. Also many recommendations were made: re-establish SEPAC (already restarted), update CST procedural manual, focused review of 504 plans, improve referral process). Special shout out to our new special services director (Amanada Lomoglia) for diving head first into a lot of areas that appreciated a new set of eyes.
- 6. <u>Approval of Group Pre-Employment Transition Services</u> MOCEANS Center to provide pre-employment transition services

- 7. <u>Approval of the Arc of New Jersey Service Agreement</u> Resolution with Arc of NJ to provide transitional educational services for HS students at no cost to the district.
- 8. <u>Approval and Submission of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Grant Award Basic and</u>
 Preschool for 2022/2023
- 9. <u>Approval of Allocation of 2022 IDEA Preschool Funds</u> approve 100% of the Preschool portion of the 2022 IDEA Consolidated grant to fund the salary and benefits of Anne Puccio, Preschool Disabled Monitor.

New Business:

- 1. <u>K-3 Class Size by Section</u> continued to analyze class sizes by size. Village: avg class sizes 22-24. 1 K class of 26. IH avg 25. Satz: 19-21. HS: 18-24 varies by subject.
- 3. <u>Grades 4-5 Literacy Pilot Program.</u> Monteleone. Tina Monteleone provided a detailed update on the 4-5 Literacy program. Similar to the 4-6 Math pilot the 4-5 literacy pilot is ready to start in Sep.

- 6. <u>LinkIt! Benchmark C.</u> Wrubel/Arciero/Killean. Spent a good part of the meeting reviewing the Link-it benchmark results for Satz & the HS. Overall math seemed to show strong growth across the year in Satz & the HS with Satz students showing the highest scores comparatively. Alicia Kilean ia aware of areas HS students are struggling & actively working on solutions to close those gaps.

ELA scores were not as high as math & the year growth was not as strong. ELA supervisor working with Dr. Charney, English teachers & other stakeholders to identify why we aren't seeing better growth & what we can do to help those students. Further discussion is planned over the summer to keep eyes on this topic.

7. Summer Committee Meeting Dates and Times

Next meeting date: Monday, July 18, 2022 @ 6:30pm