

## ***Curriculum and Instruction Committee Notes***

June 14, 2016

*Administration: Dr. McGarry, Mrs. Duncan*

*Board Members: Denise Kline, Dina D'Ambrosi, Vicky Flynn*

*Others: Marilyn Bellis and Alicia Killean*

Items that were discussed:

Donations from HFEE and Village PSA-

The HFEE has made a donation not to exceed \$126,900. This donation includes: 324 Google Chromebooks, and 12 charging carts for Indian Hill. They will have a one-to-one ratio of chromebooks to students by September 2016.

Village School PSA is donating 50 chromebooks and 2 charging carts for a total, not to exceed \$20,00.00.

Schedule "B" Job Description: A Communications Network position.--to keep our website, social media and press releases up-to-date...

Marilyn Bellis presented novels to use in 4th grade with the Social Studies Curriculum, *Through My Eyes*, by Ruby Bridges and *Remember: The Journey to School Integration*, by Toni Morrison

Marilyn also presented to the committee a Guided Reading program for Special Education (grades 1-6) that she collaborated with Meryl Gill. They wanted to use a different guided reading program for Special Education students. This program will support self-directed extension work, reading independently, consistency and repetitions as well as scaffolding what needs to happen. All students will have the same instructional prompts.

Mrs. Killean presented to the committee Guided Reading Resources they would like to use in grades 6-12. (Informational Texts to Support Next Generation Science Standards)

She's also requesting that we approve a Pilot for a K-5 Physical Science Unit, named "Knowing Science". The K-5 teachers would like a program to guide them in supporting our student's inquiries. This program will support their thinking like scientists and engineers. Mrs. Killean researched the program and found some things that could be changed. The company actually took her suggestions and changed some of their lessons based on Alicia's suggestions.

They are also looking at a Math textbook adoption at Satz.

The next meeting is July 20, 2016