

Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, May 14, 2008, 5:30 PM

Attending:

- o Board Members - Ray Tai, Barbara Garrity, Mary Hartnett
- o Administrators - Mary Beth Currie, Barbara Duncan, Mary Schwartz

Absent: Jerry Burke

Computer Science:

- o Dr. Schwartz reports that AP Computer Science AB exam will be discontinued by the College Board after May, 2009. However, the AP Computer Science A will continue to be offered.
- o New curriculum of the AP Computer Science A will be developed, which does not require Introduction to CS as a prerequisite. The course will be offered at Holmdel HS starting 2009-2010. We'll continue to offer the Intro to CS, which can be counted towards technology requirements.
- o Parents and students who select Introduction to CS for 08-09 have been informed of this change. Additionally, students who had Introduction to CS in the past but have not taken AP Computer Science AB will also be informed that 08-09 will be their last chance to take AP Computer Science AB.

Approval of Curriculum List:

The curriculum list has been reviewed and will be sent to whole board approval. The list includes courses which curricula are scheduled to be revised this coming summer. It was noted that though we should be OK in terms of the 5-year plan for QSAC, we need to seriously look into the areas of performing arts and world language in the near future.

Updated 2008 Summer Reading Choice for HS:

For rising 9th, 11th, and 12th grades, a new book is added for each. No changes to other grades.

- For rising 9th grade: The Secret life of bees by Monk Kidd
- For rising 11th grade: The hunger of Memory by Richard Rodriguez
- For rising 12th grade: The Crystal Cave by Mary Stewart

New C&I Meeting Dates:

New dates from June, 2008 to June, 2009 are reviewed and approved.

Donations:

3 generous donations by Infinite Sales & marketing, HCAA, and HFEE are reviewed and will be on 5/28 board agenda for approval.

Statewide Assessment Schedule for 2008-2009:

Schedules for all Statewide assessments for all grades have been compiled and shared.

Next Meeting: 5:30pm, [6/4/08](#), Central office Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Tai