

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION-COMMITTEE NOTES

NOVEMBER 2010

ATTENDING:

Board Members: Phyllis Pascucci, Robin Wetmore, Ana Vander Woude, Chiung Yin Liu

Administrators: Mary Beth Currie, Barbara Duncan

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

WORLD LANGUAGE ACCELERATION

Mr. Bals, Vice Principal of Holmdel High School, joined the committee to discuss a possible World Language Acceleration program at the High School. Mr. Bals and the staff are in the process of developing a procedure to address the needs of native language speakers, exceptional language students, and students who have lived and studied in a foreign country. The committee agreed that some type of acceleration procedure is needed to properly place students. It was decided that the World Language Department in conjunction with the administration will develop the criteria.

PROGRAM OF STUDIES-HOLMDEL HIGH SCHOOL AND SATZ

This was the committee's initial review of the program of studies. The Program of Studies will be reviewed numerous times prior to board approval.

NEW COURSE - COLLEGE BIOLOGY

This is a Brookdale College Biology course that will be taught at Holmdel High School. Students will receive college credit upon completion of this course. This is an elective course with criteria and pre-requisites targeted towards providing an opportunity to those students who may want an advanced Biology course and do not meet the pre-requisites for AP Biology. This course will be added to the Program of Studies for 2011-2012.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ITALIAN—AP EXAM MAY 2012

THE AP Italian exam has been re-instated by the College Board for 2012.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Curriculum Guides:

Spanish—Grades 4, 5, and 6. Update guides to include new standards.