

**BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Teaching & Learning Committee Minutes**

DATE: January 10, 2024

LOCATION: Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria
185 Damascus Road, Branford, CT

SUBJECT: Teaching & Learning Committee

ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Ellen Michaels, Committee Chair	Board of Education
Y	Peter Berdon	Board of Education
Y	Judith Barron	Board of Education
Y	Meaghan DeLucia	Board of Education
Y	Adam Greenberg	Board of Education
Y	Marie McNamara	Board of Education
N	Ram Shrestha	Board of Education
Y	Shawn Tiernan	Board of Education
Y	Laura Troidle	Board of Education
Y	Dr. Christopher Tranberg, Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Allison Moran, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Don Neel, Chief Operating Officer	Central Office

Others in attendance: Raeanne Reynolds, WIS Principal; Katie Wagner, Curriculum Coordinator and Michael Paolella, WIS Math Coach

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL

01 Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Peter Berdon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments made at this evening's meeting.

APPROVE MINUTES

02 MOTION (Tiernan/DeLucia) to approve minutes from the December 13, 2023, Teaching & Learning Committee meeting.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (as amended)

PRESENTATION

03 High Dosage Tutoring (HDT) at WIS

Among the items discussed in this evenings presentation were; aligning with the Strategic Coherence Plan, the definition of deep learning (corner stone of work), how the tutoring program came to be at WIS, how its funded, how its adopted in such a way to benefit students, the goals of high dosage tutoring (ensure that students have intensive curriculum aligned support and addressing potential learning loss), what high dosage tutoring is (frequency, measurement, small group, curriculum and personnel), grant application requirements (data overview, team assembly, determine service provider, systems and structures), the information that needed to be provided for the grant (background information, statement of need, deep dive into smarter balance scores and growth results, assemble a team for oversight and implement the grant, research approved tutor organizations to service grant based on needs), what the application process was looking for, the criteria to determine priority students (60

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PRESENTATION (Continued)

students selected from WIS to participate based on this criteria), CSDE HDT Implementation timeline (through the Launch - June 21, 2023 to implementation in December 2023 to the HDT programming end in May 2024 – HDT), what is happening in the HDT tutoring sessions (set growth goal for grades 6-8), HDT structure and schedule of services (schedules tailored based on interest and 3 major priorities (complete current class/homework as directed by the math classroom teacher, pre-teach upcoming lessons and revisit past skills and concepts), what has been noticed in the three weeks since implementation (confidence increasing in the classroom, bringing work to tutors, student advocating for themselves, taking risks and asking questions) and what will happen in the future .

ADJOURN

04 MOTION (DeLucia/Tiernan) to adjourn.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Berdon adjourned the meeting at 6:41 PM.

The next Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting will be
March 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM at Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria.

Respectfully submitted,
Meaghan DeLucia
Secretary

Prepared by,
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