

Learning and Instruction  
Hastings-on-Hudson UFSD  
District Committee Meeting

October 16, 2018

Present at meeting:

Charles Wilson, Superintendent  
Lauren Berman, Board Trustee  
Lisa Litvin, Board Trustee  
Naneshia Nunez, Board Trustee

Deb King, Community member

Key Topics

1. Setting routine meeting time
  - Members agreed that Tuesdays at 4:00/4:15 would work as routine times for meeting
  - Dr. Wilson said he would share that with Fi Goodman, and the committee should expect to see a future email suggesting meeting times (4-5) slated for the 2018-19 school year
1. Dr. Wilson facilitated a discussion of areas of interest related to curriculum and a discussion of what the committee hopes to achieve.
  - Members shared curriculum topics including: K-4 curriculum overall; K-4 mathematics; K-5 Science; gifted education programming to reach potential of all learners K-12; early childhood play-based learning opportunities K-1/2; multicultural texts and education K-4 and 9-12; technology use in K-2 and an audit of its use as an instructional tool; the "how" and not always the "what" we are teaching; the curriculum and its accessibility by special education programming; differentiated instruction within curriculum for all learners; literature text selection and its process in 9-12.
  - The goals for the committee were built around a consensus that it needed information from each building leader on the curriculum tools (pre-prepared curriculum; textbooks; instructional programs) presently in use.
  - A goal for the committee would be to discover the curriculum tools and programs currently in use and create a comprehensive document for the District.
  - A goal for the committee would be to distill the comprehensive document to create an outline of curriculum tools that could be easily discovered by the community and public (District website).

Questions for Board:

1. Future meeting dates will be scheduled. At each future meeting, Building Leaders will be invited to comprehensively present their curriculum tools and programs to the committee. The committee agreed that two meetings from Hillside leadership might prove to be needed; then there would be a meeting with Farragut Middle School leadership; and then with Hasting High School leadership.