

March 21, 2018

TO: Members of the Educational Evaluation Committee
Town Clerk

Educational Evaluation Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 20, 2018, 5:15p.m. Superintendent's Large Conference Room

Present: Sandra Berardy, Dan Boisvert, Dana Ladyga, Colleen Rix, Laurie Pallin

Guests: Julie Perry, Ted Richmond, M.J. Dix, Jeff Theodoss

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. by Dan Boisvert

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Summer Reading Books

- The summer reading programs and the methods for communicating these programs to students and parents at Tyl and MHS were explained. The processes used for selecting books for the library collection and for use in English Language Arts classes were reviewed. The Board Policy #6161 for selection of educational material and the ALA Library Bill of Rights were provided. Principals and the English department chair described the process any parent or student can follow if they have concerns about the appropriateness of a text. It was agreed that the district will mail the policy and appropriate form "Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials" to parents who had expressed a verbal concern.

4. Continued discussion of Creative Technology Curriculum

- Laurie provided an update of the work done to date on development of a Creative Technology program to replace the current elementary Library class. Elementary library media specialists and Laurie attended the recent CT Computer Science Teachers Association Annual Conference and observed a wide variety of resources for coding and Makerspace programs. They will be visiting the Makerspace program in Plainville and the computer program in East Lyme. They will continue to update the E&E committee of their progress and will seek MEF grant funding for materials for the program.

5. Future Agenda Items

- Creative Technology program, continued discussion and approval
- Next Generation Science Curriculum

6.

Adjournment
Motion to Adjourn at 6:56 pm
Proposed by: Sandra Berardy
Seconded by: Colleen Rix

Vote: All in Favor Carried: (vote 4-0)