

BELMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE - CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
REMOTE MEETING
MAY 24, 2022

Present: Ms. Meghan Moriarty, Chair
Mr. Jeffrey Liberty
Ms. Janice Darias, Assistant Superintendent

Absent: Ms. Amy Checkoway, Secretary

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DATE: June 8, 2022
TIME: 3:26 PM

1. Meeting Called to Order at 3:04 PM
2. Plan of Action for Science - Presentation Review

Assistant Superintendent Darias introduced Liz Baker, Director of Science, Technology and Engineering of BPS and Jessica DeFrances, Elementary Curriculum Specialist for Math and Science. Over the last 7 years, the district has been working on the plan of action for science, a review of science practices throughout the district. Liz and Jessica will present to the full SC on June 7th and are seeking feedback on the content and organization of the presentation from the Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee in this meeting. They began the presentation by providing an overview of the actual process including both internal and external review as well as survey and data collection. There was appreciation for the Guiding Questions and how they carry through to frame the work and the presentation. SC Member Jeff Liberty asked about the usefulness of survey data collected pre-pandemic and whether the data can be made available to the public on a district website so the community is more aware of the process. After some discussion the group agreed that is something to work towards incorporating into future review cycles.

Jeff Liberty suggested the title 'Curriculum Cycle Review' should be reconsidered because the review is more focused on practices, rather than the curriculum. There was agreement that should be considered.

Meeting Adjourned 4 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

