**WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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| **WESTBROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION** **Teaching and Learning Subcommittee Meeting** **Thursday, February 2, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.** **BOE Conference Room** |

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Don Perreault, Christine Kuehlewind, Kim Walker

Also Present: Zack Hayden, Superintendent Kristina Martineau

I. Call to Order: The Teaching and Learning Subcommittee meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

 by D. Perreault, Chair.

II. Committee Chair selection: MOTION by D. Perreault to nominate C. Kuehlewind as Chair -

 SECOND by K. Walker. Vote unanimous.

III. Approval of Minutes of December 8, 2022: MOTION by D. Perreault and SECOND by K. Walker

 to approve the minutes of December 8, 2022 Vote unanimous.

IV. Review of Equity and Access Statement Draft - WPS Commitment to All Students: The

 Committee reviewed two drafts of the Equity Statement and reached a consensus on moving

 a draft forward (the document last revised by the PreK-12 Equity and Access Committee).

 Proposed changes:

* Update title to Westbrook’s Commitment to ALL Children in

 Our Schools

* Replace “policy” with “practices”
* Remove the phrase “the following necessary”

Next Step Recommendations:

* Present to full BOE for vote on 2/14/2023
* Pending approval, work in PLC, faculty meetings, and with student involvement to make this a living document. Follow up in the spring with a survey to assess how students feel and professional development to support students so all students feel included and safe. Invite committee members to attend the meeting.

V. Weekly time allotted to Daisy subjects: Math, Science, LA, Social Studies

Art, Music, P.E., Spanish

The Committee discussed instructional time scheduled at the elementary level grade by grade PreK-4 and supported balancing instructional time to ensure that both social studies and science time is increased to meet state and local curriculum requirements. The committee also emphasized the importance of making sure instructional time for art and music was balanced and scheduled enough moving forward for program and curriculum requirements.

VI. Future Agenda Items for Future Meetings

A. Completed Curriculum Revisions to Review and Move Forward to BOE

B. Music Program

C. Art Program

D. New Courses for 2023-2024

E. Welding Program and Electric Boat Partnership

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. or Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at an earlier time?

VII. MOTION to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Respectful submitted,

Christine Kuehlewind, Board Secretary Cecilia S. Lester, Board Recording Clerk