

TROY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 6:30 PM
Troy Area School District – Community Room

The Curriculum Committee Meeting of the Troy Area School District Board of Education met on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, in the Community Room of the Troy Area School District Offices. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Martell at 6:30 PM.

Present: Mrs. Angove Mrs. May
Mrs. Bohner Mrs. Ordway
Mrs. Harer Mr. Roy (arrived at 6:46 pm)
Mr. Martin (arrived at 6:42 pm)

Absent: Mr. Brasington, Mr. Curren

Others Present: Dr. Martell, Superintendent; Mrs. Gilliland, Business Administrator; Mr. Blair, Maintenance Supervisor (arrived at 6:40 pm); Mr. Brion, Primary School Principal; Mr. Imbt, Primary School Assistant Principal; Mrs. Markiw, Director of Support Services; Mr. Brenner, Jr/Sr High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Schrader, Director of Technology; Ms. Baxter, Student Board Representative (arrived at 6:48 pm); Solicitor Blaney (arrived at 6:43 pm); as well as district staff and visitors.

Discussion:

Mrs. Markiw began by summarizing the process of how students are identified and tested. Mrs. Markiw noted the district has 261 special education students. Mrs. Markiw noted the main goal of the special education department within the comprehensive plan is to improve our transition program. Mrs. Markiw discussed our current transition program and it being led by Mrs. Heidi Butler, Jr/Sr High School teacher.

Mrs. Markiw further discussed and explained the services students can receive while attending school. For example, speech, emotional support, visual impairment, autistic, etc. She provided the 2018/2019 special education data report for Troy as listed on PDE's website.

Mrs. Harer asked about the number of special education students. That was a high number. Mrs. Markiw explained that is the total between all three buildings. Some students only receive 1 or 2 services and are in the classroom with all other students.

Mrs. Markiw discussed her request for a mediation or supplemental room at the High School. Mr. Martin asked what is required to have a supplemental room. Mrs. Markiw replied it would have to be approved by PDE.

Mrs. Angove asked how many students are receiving speech services at Croman. Mrs. Markiw replied around 35. Mrs. Markiw explained that we have two speech teachers in our district. If they reach their maximum caseload during the year the district will contract with the I.U. 17 for additional speech services.

Mrs. Markiw also noted another goal for the special education department was a district wide progress monitoring tool. Administration is currently looking at AIMS web.

Mrs. Bohner asked who puts the information on the website. Mrs. Bohner was referring to the policies and not the comprehensive plan. It was discussed that all policies get posted on the website.

Public Questions: There were no questions from the public

Adjournment: On a motion by Mrs. May, seconded by Mrs. Harer, the directors adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Gilliland
Board Secretary