



Committee Report

Committee Name: Instruction & Program

Location	Date	Time
Virtual	10/10/2024	4:00 PM
Board Members		
Kanileah Anderson	Vereliz Santana	
Crystal Williams		
District Liaison & Superintendent Representative		
Sylvia Esteves		
Other District Staff		
Yolonda Severe	Anzella Nelms	
Dr. Paula Perrone	Marialana Juliano	
Christina Ramirez	Amanda Grossi	
Rochanda Jackson		
Guests		
Meeting Summary		
<p>Comments:</p> <p>Instruction and Program Committee Chair Anderson convened the meeting at 4:05 PM. The Strategic Plan Priorities that were identified included Priority 1: Unified and Aligned Systems, Priority 2: A Rigorous and Relevant Framework for Curriculum and Instruction, Priority 3: Strength-Based and Responsive Culture, Priority 4: Continuous Learning for All, Priority 5: Integrated System of Supports, and Priority 6: Strong Reciprocal Partnerships.</p> <p>Immediately following, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Esteves, reviewed the Instruction and Program Committee meeting norms.</p> <p>At 4:10 PM, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Esteves, co-facilitated a presentation on Math initiatives alongside Amanda Grossi, the Director of the Office of Math. The presentation provided a comprehensive overview of the Mathematics program, highlighting the following key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mathematical Practice Standards ● Numbers & Operations ● Geometry & Measurement ● Algebraic Reasoning ● Data Literacy & Probability ● Differentiation of Instruction ● Monitoring Student Progress ● Cornell Notes ● Academic Walkthrough ● Teacher Training and Professional Learning Communities 		

The Strategic Plan Priorities that were addressed throughout this presentation were Priority 1: Unified and Aligned Systems, Priority 2: A Rigorous and Relevant Framework for Curriculum and Instruction, and Priority 4: Continuous Learning for All.

At 4:54 PM, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Esteves, opened the floor for questions and addressed inquiries submitted in the chat. During this time, questions were asked and answered. Additionally, Executive Director Rochanda Jackson provided a brief overview of the district-wide gains in mathematics.

A complete PowerPoint presentation, containing all the information reviewed by Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Esteves, and Director Grossi of Math, has been uploaded for the Board Members' review.

At 5:03 PM, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Esteves, thoroughly reviewed the resolutions to allow a clear understanding of all resolutions and purpose for inclusion at the meeting. There were 6 resolutions that were uploaded on the Electronic School Board (ESB). The Strategic Plan Priorities that were identified included Priority 2: A Rigorous and Relevant Framework for Curriculum and Instruction, and Priority 3: Strength-Based and Responsive Culture.

- 18.1 Instruction & Programs
- 18.2 Authorization of District Field Trips
- 18.3 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between ASPIRA and the Newark Board of Education
- 18.4 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJ PAC) and the Newark Board of Education
- 18.5 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Drew University and the Newark Board of Education
- 18.6 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey, Inc. and the Newark Board of Education

At 5:10 PM, Chair Anderson made a motion to forward the resolutions to the full Board. The motion was seconded and agreed upon by Co-Vice President Santana and Board Member Williams.

Chair Anderson adjourned the meeting at 5:12 PM.