

Suffield Board of Education  
Student Programs & Services Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
December 3, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.  
Central Office Conference Room

Present: Michelle Zawawi, Jeanne Gee, Lori D'Ostuni, Steve Moccio, Jim Collin, Karen Baldwin

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.

I. Review and Discussion of New SHS Course Proposals:

**Overview:** Mr. Moccio shared with Board members the new courses being proposed. Courses were presented in the following order: Introduction to Media Literacy and Production, Media Communications, AP Macro Economics, Personal Fitness, Advanced Sports Concepts, Unified P.E., and Teen Leadership

**Questions:** Is Media Communications an English Course? Answer: No  
Can students demonstrate mastery of skills using criteria to advance to other media literacy courses? UConn ECE English vs. AP courses?

**Actions:** Mr. Moccio will check with Carl Casinghino and report out to the Board relative to students demonstrating mastery of media literacy skills. The seven courses will move forward to the full Board for approval at its December 16 meeting.

II. Curriculum for Approval

**Overview:** Discussion of Social Studies curriculum. Teachers have not written curriculum.

**Questions:** Curriculum Cabinet? What format should be used for curriculum approval by the full Board? Scope and sequence, standards, questions, and assessments?

**Actions:** The Policy subcommittee will review policies around curriculum approval, looking at internal and external structures to drive curriculum approval.

Meeting adjourned: 8:15 p.m.