REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 40 MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 40

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Susan A. Pratt., Superintendent Kimberly Schroeter., Director of Instruction R. Scott Wyman, Business Manager Karen Etheridge, Director of Student Services

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 15, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Medomak Middle School

318 Manktown Rd. * Waldoboro * Maine

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	Tod Brown, Gail Hawes, Cynthia Rosen, Errol Silvestri, Mary Genthner
EX-OFFICIO MEMBER:	Board Chair Danny Jackson
ADMINISTRATOR/S:	Kimberly Schroeter, Susan A. Pratt, Andrew Cavanaugh

AGENDA TOPICS

I. OPENING/QUORUM

Call to Order

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Declaration of Quorum
- c. Note Absences Sandra O'Farrell excused
- d. Adjustments to the Agenda
- e. Approve minutes of September 12, 2012 approved

II. ACTION ITEMS

III. REVIEW/DISCUSS

Kimberly Schroeter discussed the new student reporting model that will be used reflecting the shift to the Standard Based Education Model Grades 1&2 and the Middle School will be reporting using the new format for student performance in the First Trimester.

Kim explained that she looked at many formats used by other districts and schools plus she engaged both teachers and principals of MSAD 40 in the development of the proposed reporting model.

Kim noted that the State of Maine Board of Education has adopted the issuance of standard based diplomas starting in 2017.

Kim noted that the goal of the District is to use the Parent Teacher conferences to explain the new reporting model to parents.

There was also a discussion by the committee members and the administrators on how the Gifted and Talented students will be identified and serviced with the implementation of the standard based education model.

Ben Vail discussed the Middle School's approach to communicating to both parents and students regarding the use of the new reporting model reflecting the Standard Based Education model. Ben noted that the Middle School hosted an open house for parents to discuss the new reporting format. The parents were given a hand out with 50 to 60 talking points in addition to a sample report. Ben noted that a letter was sent to the parents of the students which outlined the new reporting format.

Kim noted that the administration is committed to providing a pathway for teachers so they can best be prepared for the challenges of teaching to the new Standards Base Model.

Submitted

Errol T. Silvestri

IV. ADJOURNMENT

All subcommittee meetings of the Board, except executive sessions, will be open to the public. All actions of the subcommittees will be taken openly and the deliberations leading to their action will likewise be conducted openly. The public and district employees are encouraged to attend subcommittee meetings. Subcommittee meetings are open to the public. Public input is welcomed but the Chair may need to limit discussion.