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

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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday December 12, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Medomak Middle School

318 Manktown Rd. * Waldoboro * Maine

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

AGENDA TOPICS

I. OPENING/QUORUM

Call to Order:

- 1) Pledge Allegiance
- 2) Quorum Present
- 3) Note Absences Gail Hawes Excused
- 4) Adjustments to Agenda- None
- 5) Minutes of November 14,2012 Approved

II.ACTION ITEMS - NoneIII.REVIEW/DISCUSS

a. Kimberly Schroeter discussed the results of the assessment given to the Kindergarten classes in RSU40. The assessments compares the performance of the student to a benchmark. The bar graph presented by Kim indicated the Kindergarten students below the benchmark for the Fall of 2012. The chart Kim presented showed the results for each of the elementary schools in RSU40. The bar graph indicated the students' aptitude in both visual Letter Identification and Dibels which measures the early literacy and reading skills for students K-6. It is used to identify students who may be at risk for reading difficulties. Each measure is an indicator of future performance and can be used by the teacher to tailor their lesson plans for each student. There was a discussion on the need for a pre school program in RSU40. The sentiment expressed by many of the attendees was that a pre school program would have the potential to prepare students for kindergarten.

b. Kim reviewed the Fall 2012 NWEA Data. There was also a discussion on the further development of a data management system to capture student performance so as to better develop curriculum needs.

IV. ADJOURNMENT – 9:00 P.M.

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