

PUTNAM BOARD OF EDUCATION

Curriculum Committee Minutes

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

Joseph V. Pempek Memorial Conference Room

The Putnam Board of Education's Curriculum Committee met on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 6:00 P.M in the Joseph V. Pempek Memorial Conference Room.

Committee Members Present: Jill Zangerl, Carrie Blackmar, Peggy McHugh, and Marieanne Viens

Others: Donna Maynard

Carrie Blackmar called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

The following programs, per the elementary school math committee's recommendations, reviewed as indicated.

- *San Francisco Unified School District Mathematics (SFUSD), 2013, Open-Source Curriculum Documents-This program does not include a textbook and would require units to be printed. Students have traditionally struggled with no textbooks. Costs unknown. Good quality units.*
- *Into Math, Houghton Mifflin Corp., 2020-Program is a continuation, or revision, of the current Go Math! units. Go Math! was originally one of the only Common Core programs. At present, scores are stagnated. Concerns have surfaced over student continued growth. Much of the program, including online, contain the same elements.*
- *Ready Mathematics, Curriculum Associates, 2020-This program was preferred by the math committee. They felt the assessments and feedback for instruction piece was a key component of the Ready mathematics program. Additionally, students work on their own to try and solve problems prior to discussion. The program has specific links to standards and measures success within the units of the program. Teachers have access to information that students need prior to the start of a new progression or unit as well what is needed to reinforce lagging skills. Longitudinal data is stored and provides access to future teachers. The students are asked to think deeply about content and they do recognize that there is a need for supplements. The San Francisco math that was reviewed will be utilized as an additional resource. The data from assessments align more naturally with standards based report cards.*

The cost of the program is \$24,000, which includes professional development and a percentage of Ready Set, which is the SRBI component as not all students are in need of remediation.

Jill Zangerl made a motion to approve Ready Mathematics, with a one-year contract, to warn for adoption at the BOE meeting and seconded by Peggy McHugh. The members of curriculum subcommittee was in unanimous agreement to recommend Ready Mathematics to warn for adoption.

Carrie Blackmar adjourned the meeting at 6:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Marianne Viens and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Blackmar
Committee Chair