

SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SHERMAN, CONNECTICUT 06784
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING - MAY 20, 2024
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0:00 PM

A Curriculum Committee meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Frey at 6:00 PM on May 20, 2024 via Zoom.

1. PRESENT

For the Board: Mrs. Frey, Mrs. Febbraio, and Mr. Laughlin
Administration: Dr. Fernand and Dr. Fildes

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1. Discussed NGSS standards and how Science has changed with a new focus on the science and engineering practices. The standards require students to use crosscutting concepts to explain and make sense of the phenomena they experience in their lives and/or to design solutions to authentic problems.
- 2.2. Dr. Fildes reviewed 3 years of NGSS scores with comparisons to surrounding districts such as New Fairfield, New Milford, and Kent.
- 2.3. Discussed who teaches Science in grades K-5 and 6-8. In December of 2022 the middle school schedule was restructured to include Science and Social studies daily. Administration is looking at the schedule for next year and how to include Science everyday for grade 5.
- 2.4. Discussed the need of additional data points to assess needs of science programs. Looking at InnerOrbit platform to use for benchmark assessments. The 6th grade will be piloting OpenSciEd program in the 2024-2025 school year. Administration will look at data gathered from assessments and pilot programs and make recommendations.
- 2.5. For our next meeting in September we would like to focus on Fitness assessments and Instructional time spent in Physical Education.

3. ADJOURNMENT

- 3.1. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Frey
Chair, Curriculum Committee
Sherman Board of Education