

**Gaston County Schools
BOE Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2019**

Members Present: Dot Guthrie, Terry Usery, Dot Cherry, Justin Davis, Brent Moore, Melissa Balknight, Lolita Williams

Others Present: Derrick Jackson, Carrie Minnich, James Montgomery, Cristi Bostic, Resa Hoyle, Robin Setzer, Angela Upchurch, Ami Parker, Sandie Rudisill, Chad Duncan, Joey Clinton, Melissa Buchanan

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

A motion to approve minutes for the meeting on May 7, 2019 was made and seconded by unanimous vote.

The committee received an update on the Teacher Induction Program of Success (TIPS). The TIPS transformation blends instructional support with resource management to provide a well-rounded foundation for beginning teachers at all levels and all content areas. Every beginning teacher has mentor support. Teachers at all levels, including the Department for Exceptional Children, are participating in TIPS. At the end of TIPS 3 (year 3) teachers get instructions about National Board Certification. There is a support platform in place for beginning and veteran teachers. The focus at this meeting was on the elementary level. We will get updates on the secondary levels at an upcoming meeting.

Student Support Services is working with elementary school counselors to develop an annual comprehensive counseling plan at all the elementary schools. The plan will help determine the most effective way to meet the needs of the students. Through multiple opportunities to connect with the students, elementary school counselors are able to focus on character education and social/emotional learning.

Staff presented information for a health textbook adoption. A committee of health teachers selected a textbook that aligns with North Carolina essential standards for healthful living and health education for 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th grades. The digital version of the textbook is updated annually to provide current information on health topics. This will be a standard six year adoption.

A motion was made and seconded by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 PM.

The Committee Chair will share a date for the next meeting in the coming weeks.

Submitted by:
Lolita Williams

