Gaston County Schools BOE Curriculum & Instruction Committee Minutes for Regular Meeting on July 12, 2021

Members Present: Dot Guthrie, Robbie Lovelace, Steve Hall, Justin Davis, Dot Cherry, Jeff Ramsey

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM.

A motion was made and seconded with unanimous approval to adopt minutes as presented for the meeting on June 7, 2021 with no corrections.

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) department presented a budget update on the CTE Local Application System grant. The grant supports CTE teacher and support staff salaries, classroom equipment, technology, professional development, and student credentials.

Staff shared follow-up information regarding digital tickets for athletic events. Utilizing digital tickets will not eliminate paper tickets provided to schools for spectators who want another option. The committee also received information about middle school athletic eligibility for the 2021-2022 school year. High Schools are governed by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) and must follow their eligibility requirements.

The Leader in Me Academy is a Choice Program in our Dallas feeder schools. The academy has a strong foundation in leadership and culture. Currently, our district leadership team is meeting with each school to determine next steps. Gaston College will provide high school academy students with a Leadership Certification upon completion of the program.

The ESL department completed the curriculum adoption process and selected English 3D as the ESL curriculum to be implemented in grades 3-12 for the 2021-2022 school year. The new curriculum will be on the next Board of Education agenda as consent. The ESL department has restructured the middle school schedule to give students additional time in the program each day. With the restructured schedule and additional staff, teachers will have smaller caseloads and be assigned to only one school.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:56 PM.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2021 at the Central Office at 12 noon.

Submitted by: Lolita Williams.