SHELTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
Time: 5:00 PM
Place: Board of Education Administrative Offices Training Room

AGENDA

Call to order: welcome to members and guests

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Session

Approval of Proposed Meeting Minutes 4/18/17 at previous BOE Meeting

Approval of the Agenda for 6/13/17

Agenda Items:
  o SHS Graduation Requirement Revisions for review to move present to full BOE at next regularly scheduled meeting

Adjournment

Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 5:09 p.m. Chairperson Kutash extended a welcome to members and guests


Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Session: No one from the public wished to speak.

Approval of Proposed Meeting Minutes of 4/18/17 was done at a previous BOE Meeting.

Approval of the Agenda for 6/13/17: Moved Win Oppel, seconded Faith Hack. Motion carried.

Agenda Items:
SHS Graduation Requirement Revisions for review to move present to full BOE at next regularly scheduled meeting (attachment).

Dr. Clouet said this is a proposal that is in line with some of the changes that are being made at the state level, in the context of making things a little more flexible. Specifically, it’s a slow, incremental step towards bringing down the barriers between certain academic disciplines, i.e., the notion of having humanities instead of social studies and language arts. It’s the right direction to go in. Dr. Clouet highly recommends that the Board support this proposal.

Faith Hack MOVED to move the SHS Graduation Requirement Revisions to the Full Board; seconded by Kathy Yolish. Motion carried.

Banner tie-in to policy book: Chairperson Kutash noted that Mark Holden mentioned the need to tie the banner to a policy within our book. This is something Lorraine Rossner was going to act on.

Faith Hack MOVED to table this item until the next meeting, seconded by Kathy Yolish. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Eileen Victoria
Eileen Victoria
Recording Secretary
June 19, 2017

One (1) tape on file in the Assistant Superintendent’s office.
PROGRAM OF STUDIES

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
THE CLASSES OF 2017 AND 2018 (current seniors and juniors)

1. A total of 25.7 credits is required for graduation. Required credits are as follows:
   - English 4.0 credits
   - Mathematics 3.0 credits
   - Social Studies 3.0 credits
     (including 1.0 in United States History and .5 in Civics)
   - Science 4.0 credits
     (including at least 1.0 in General Science, 1.5 in Biology, plus an additional lab science course)
   - Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education 1.0 credit
     (Courses may be chosen from Art, Music, Career & Technical Education or by taking Acting I or Acting II)
   - Physical Education 1.0 credit
   - Health Education .5 credit
   - Electives 7.5 credits
   - Reading/Writing Assessment .1 credit
   - Mathematics Assessment .1 credit
   - Science Assessment .1 credit
   - Community Service .4 credit
     (including .1 credit for 10 hours of service each year)
   - CAPSTONE (Senior Project) 1.0 credit
   - Total for graduation 25.7 credits

2. Students who pass Algebra I in eighth grade at Shelton Intermediate School will be given high school credit.
3. Students who pass a World Languages course in eighth grade at Shelton Intermediate School will be given high school credit.
4. HCC Financial Accounting I and Principles of Managerial Accounting and Computer Science courses taught by the Math Department do not fulfill the mathematics graduation requirement.
5. Honors level students who have been allowed to take Biology in their freshman year must take 2 additional lab science courses to fulfill the four-credit requirement.
6. The Reading/Writing Assessment, Mathematics Assessment, and Science Assessment are achieved by scoring at the proficiency level or better on a state assessment.
7. Students are required to complete 10 hours of community service per year, a total of 40 hours prior to graduation. Students will receive .1 credits for 10 hours of service each year. Students may not earn more than .1 credits per year for service. Students must submit a signed contract for themselves and their supervisor responsible for monitoring their hours. This contract must be approved by the Headmaster or his/her designee prior to beginning service hours.
8. The minimum course load per semester is 6.0 credits. Exceptions to this regulation must be approved by the Headmaster and student’s Housemaster.
9. A student will earn his/her diploma and may participate in the graduation ceremony only if all academic requirements and obligations are met.

Proposed changes:

Class of 2017 and 2018
- waive the .1 reading/writing, .1 math
  - CAPT Reading, Writing, Math no longer administered
- Total for graduation: 25.5
NOTE: CAPT Science and CAPT alternate assessments have been given to both classes

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
THE CLASSES OF 2019 AND 2020 (current sophomores and freshmen)

1. A total of 25.7 credits is required for graduation. Required credits are as follows:
   - **English** 4.0 credits
   - **Mathematics** 3.0 credits
   - **Social Studies** 3.0 credits
     (including 1.0 in U.S. History I/AP U.S. History, .5 in Civics and .5 in U.S. History II or 1.0 in AP Government)
   - **Science** 4.0 credits
     (including at least 1.0 in General Science, 1.5 in Biology, plus an additional lab science course)
   - **Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education** 1.0 credit
     (Courses may be chosen from Art, Music, Career & Technical Education or by taking Acting I or Acting II)
   - **Physical Education** 1.0 credit
   - **Health Education** .5 credit
   - **Electives** 7.5 credits
   - **Reading/Writing Assessment** .1 credit
   - **Mathematics Assessment** .1 credit
   - **Science Assessment** .1 credit
   - **Community Service** 4.0 credit
     (including .1 credit for 10 hours of service each year)
   - **CAPSTONE (Senior Project)** 1.0 credit

   **Total for graduation** 25.7 credits

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CLASSES OF 2019, 2020
- including 1.0 in U.S. History I/AP U.S. History and 1.0 in U.S. History II/AP Government to 1.0 in United States History I/AP U.S. History, and .5 in US History II and .5 Civics or 1.0 in AP Government
- waive the .1 reading/writing, .1 math, .1 science
- total for graduation: 25.4
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
THE CLASSES OF 2021 (incoming freshmen)

1. A total of 25.4 credits is required for graduation. Required credits are as follows:

   **English**
   - (including 1.0 in English I, 1.0 in English II, 1.0 in English III and 1 additional credit)
   - 4.0 credits

   **Mathematics**
   - 3.0 credits

   **Social Studies**
   - (1.0 in United States History I/ AP US History; and .5 in U.S. History II; and .5 Civics or 1.0 in AP Government)
   - 3.0 credits

   **Science**
   - (including at least 1.5 in Biology plus one additional lab science course and 1 additional credit)
   - 4.0 credits

   **Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education**
   - (Courses may be chosen from Art, Music, Career & Technical Education or by taking Acting I or Acting II)
   - 1.0 credit

   **Physical Education**
   - 1.0 credit

   **Health Education**
   - .5 credit

   **Electives**
   - 7.5 credits

   **Community Service**
   - (including .1 credit for 10 hours of service each year)
   - .4 credit

   **CAPSTONE Project**
   - 1.0 credit

   **Total for graduation**
   - 25.4 credits

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5. Students are required to complete 10 hours of community service per year, a total of 40 hours prior to graduation. Students will receive .1 credits for 10 hours of service each year. Students may not earn more than .1 credits per year for service. Students must submit a signed contract for themselves and their supervisor responsible for monitoring their hours. This contract must be approved by the Headmaster or his/her designee prior to beginning service hours.

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