

**SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING – CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017**  
**THE SHERMAN SCHOOL**

**Vision Statement**

**We enable all Sherman Students to become the best possible version of themselves.  
We provide an environment where our children develop into empathetic, self-directed,  
critical thinkers who don't give up when faced with challenges.**

**CURRICULUM SUB-COMMITTEE**

A Curriculum Committee meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mrs. Enright on August 24, 2017 at 9:35 AM at the Sherman School in the Library Media Center.

**1. PRESENT:**

Board of Education: Mrs. Enright and Mrs. Lenihan  
Administration: Dr. Melendez and Mrs. Snowden

**2. DISCUSSED:**

- Mrs. Snowden gave an overview of the summer curriculum work, which included participation of 21 faculty members. Faculty participated in 400 hours of curriculum work in 7 programs/areas of study.
- Mrs. Snowden and Dr. Melendez reviewed the Executive Functioning Program work done over the summer. Mrs. Snowden reported that the team met for two days this summer in which they reviewed the SMARTS! program in detail. Supplies necessary to support lessons were ordered.
- Dr. Melendez and Mrs. Snowden reviewed summer work done in XP. Teachers planned 26 hours courses in over 230 hours of curriculum writing. Suppliers were ordered. Students were registered for chosen courses.
- Middle School Math Resource was discussed. The team met for one day this summer. Mrs. Snowden reported that review has been made of pilot activities over the last three years. Mrs. Snowden reported that samples of six resources were reviewed and those of which were in use by surrounding and high-performing districts. Mrs. Snowden and Dr. Melendez recommend adopting the Big Ideas Math Program. Mrs. Enright and Mrs. Lenihan will recommend adoption of this program to the full BoE at the September regular BoE meeting.
- Mrs. Snowden discussed Grades 4 and 5 Spanish Resource. Mrs. Snowden indicated that the team met for one day this summer. Mrs. Snowden reported that review was done of available programs and resources to support fourth and fifth grade and review was done of available samples of four resources. Mrs. Snowden reported that research was done on programs and

practices in use by surrounding and high-performing districts. Mrs. Snowden and Dr. Melendez recommended a teaching packet and Mrs. Enright and Mrs. Lenihan support this decision and will recommend to full board adoption of said packet at next BoE regular meeting in September.

•Mrs. Enright and Mrs. Lenihan recognized all of the hard work done by our talented faculty along with the support of Mrs. Snowden and Dr. Melendez and how excited they are for our students this school year.

**3. ADJOURNED**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Themis Enright  
Chairman Curriculum Committee  
Sherman Board of Education