

New Milford Board of Education
 Committee on Learning Minutes
 September 9, 2014
 Sarah Noble Intermediate School Library Media Center

Present:	Mr. David Lawson, Chairperson Mrs. Daniele Shook Mrs. Angela Chastain Mr. David Littlefield
Absent:	Mr. John Spatola

Also Present:	Dr. JeanAnn Paddyfote, Superintendent of Schools Mr. Joshua Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Ms. Ellamae Baldelli, Director of Human Resources Mr. Jay Hubelbank, Director of Fiscal Services Ms. Roberta Pratt, Director of Information Technology Mrs. Corby Kennison, Math Coach Ms. Stephanie Zappone, Math Coach
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1.	Call to Order A. Pledge of Allegiance The meeting of the New Milford Board of Education Committee on Learning was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. Lawson. Mr. Lawson seated Mr. Littlefield in the absence of Mr. Spatola.	Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance
2.	Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was none. 	Public Comment
3.	DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION A. Review and Approval of Curriculum <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Mathematics Grade One Mathematics Grade Three Mathematics Grade Four Mathematics Grade Five Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Lawson noted that Grade Two had been previously reviewed and used for a model for these. Mr. Smith said the Board approved Grade Two last spring and then 15 teachers worked with that as a model for Grades One, Three, Four, and Five. These curricula include scope and sequencing and pacing. This is the most comprehensive K-5 math this school has used in a long time. He noted these were good 	DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION A. Review and Approval of Curriculum <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Mathematics Grade One Mathematics Grade Three Mathematics Grade Four Mathematics Grade Five Mathematics

	<p>curricula no matter what testing method would be used going forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Littlefield asked if this was already launched for this year and Mr. Smith said it has been. • Mr. Littlefield asked if there was any feedback and Mrs. Shook noted her daughter was in Third Grade and it seemed to be working well. • Mrs. Kennison noted that some of the curriculum guides had gone home with the students and some would be handed out at curriculum night. • Mr. Lawson asked if there would be a counter on the website for feedback and Ms. Pratt said there would be soon. <p>Mr. Littlefield moved to send the Kindergarten, Grade One, Grade Three, Grade Four and Grade Five Mathematics Curriculum to the full board for approval, seconded by Mrs. Shook and passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Motion made and passed unanimously to send the Kindergarten, Grade One, Grade Three, Grade Four and Grade Five Mathematics Curriculum to the full board for approval.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION</p> <p>A. Teacher Evaluation and Administrator Evaluation Documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Lawson noted this was an edited version which the Board had the option to do per the State. • Mr. Smith said last year was the first year of teacher evaluations under these guidelines and it was written into this plan that each year the plan would be updated and approved by the Board. He said the committee that looked at this plan involved many teachers and administrators. This plan was submitted to the State which offered a few suggested changes which were made. • Mr. Smith said the key changes were the frequency of evaluations and the waiver around the national assessment for next year. • Mr. Smith noted this plan had been moved forward to the Board by Operations and required no action from this committee. 	<p>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION</p> <p>A. Teacher Evaluation and Administrator Evaluation Documents</p>

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5.	Adjourn Mrs. Shook moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m., seconded by Mr. Littlefield and passed unanimously.	Adjourn Motion made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.
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Respectfully submitted:



David Lawson, Chairperson
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