



EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

November 1, 2018

8:30 a.m.

Committee Members: Anna Shinn, Chair
Carol Hample, Thomas Wallace

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent of Schools
Jason Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary
Dr. Stacey Brown, Humanities Supervisor
Sarah Pauch, Math, Science, Tech Supervisor

Public Minutes

1. Ginger Building Challenge (Board agenda item): The 6&7 G&T classes will have an opportunity to work with an engineering firm that created a curriculum based on sustainability, renewability, and efficiency. This program fits nicely with the new G&T curriculum on sustainability. Firm, Stonehouse Group, gives the school the curriculum materials for free along with an engineer who will come and train the G&T teachers. The cost of the other materials is \$1000. After this initial year Readington would then have everything to teach the program ourselves and the materials would need to be budgeted. Judges will come out and judge the work the teams will do. Recommended for approval.
2. Aerospace Club - update: Oct 18, the district provided busing to Alexandria Airport and 4 families utilized this and approximately 6 more families drove. Parents were encouraged to attend this first meeting of the club to see what the commitment was so they were able to make a fully informed opinion. There was a positive response of the club initially. One of the teachers who attended would like to go back and attend more sessions when he is available. Linda Castner owner of Alexandria Airport and creator of the Living Labs will update if students return for future clubs. Some things to think about for the future are how to make it an inhouse piece and start to develop here and if it is feasible to purchase a Living Lab as well as if it will be considered in the budget. Linda Castner will be inducted in aviation hall of fame for this program.
3. RVCC Partnership for the Arts - update (Board agenda item): It is moving forward with approval from the Board of Ed. A music teacher has been asked to lead the HBS students who are chosen to be a part of this joint venture, which is for the 4th and 5th graders. The college has a Bach Cantata with some student sections and invited our students to audition for these parts and to practice here at HBS with Choir Director from RVCC will work with our teacher on some rehearsals and then at the performance on December 8, 2018 with the college students. Readington, Union Township and Clinton Township are

the 3 districts involved in this program. The director would like to do a press release if this is approved at our next board meeting. The program is recommended for approval

4. Texts for approval

- a. *Sparrow* by Sarah Moon, 7th grade
- b. *Refugee* by Alan Gratz, 6th grade honors, Level Y
- c. *De-Extinction* by Rebecca Hirsch, 8th grade honors
- d. *Alice Paul and the fight for women's rights: from the vote to the equal rights amendment* by Deborah Kops, 8th grade honors
- e. *Making Bombs for Hitler* by Marsha Skrypuch, 6th grade
- f. *Harry Potter: A History of Magic* by British Library, 7th grade

Books listed are recommended for approval.

6. Next Meeting: December 6, 2018 at 8:30