



Secondary Math Text Adoption – Marple Newtown School District uses a 7 year curriculum cycle. The Math Department will be reviewing and selecting new textbooks for grades 6-12. Approximately 10 teachers (5 middle school/5 high school) will be on a committee to review the sample textbooks. All teachers in grades 6-12 have had access to materials since early December. The committee will meet in February and March to review the text samples. Online resources are an important component. A final recommendation will be presented to the board in April with plans to implement a new series in September 2016.

B. Raising Digital Kids – *Dr. Constance Bompadre*

Dr. Bompadre informed the committee that Paul Sanfrancesco, a National Presenter on Digital Footprint and Social Media, will be presenting at The Performing Arts Center at the Marple Newtown High School on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mr. Sanfrancesco is an educator, district administrator and college professor in the Philadelphia region. The presentation is called *Raising Digital Kids! What Parents Need to Know to Survive*. Mr. Sanfrancesco will discuss apps that children are using, digital footprint and strategies to keep children safe online.

**VI. Motions**

The following motions have been moved along to the full Board:

**Teacher Conferences:**

- A. Motion to approve Margaret Brennan, teacher and Mary Flounders, teacher to attend the PDE Annual conference: Making a Difference on February 10-12, 2016 in Hershey, PA. The cost of the conference per person is \$120.00. The cost of lodging, double occupancy for two nights is \$258.00. The total cost to the district is \$498.00.

**Athletic Conferences:**

- B. Motion to approve Christopher Gicking, Athletic Director, to attend the PA State Athletic Directors Conference in Hershey, PA on March 15-18, 2016, and in Atlantic City, NJ on February 26-28, 2016. The cost of the conference is \$350.00. The cost of lodging and travel is \$658.00. The total cost to the district is \$1,035.00.

**Student Athletic Trips:**

- C. Motion to approve Steve Smith, coach, to accompany 12-15 High School Varsity Baseball Players to travel to Richmond, VA on March 5-6, 2016 for practice and a scrimmage. The total cost paid by each student is \$90.00. There is no cost to the district. (Parents are providing transportation).

**Student Clubs:**

- D. Motion to approve the MNHS Quidditch Club. The purpose of this club is to provide an outlet for those who aren't involved in traditional sports and to learn teamwork and be active. The club advisor is Dr. Killough.

- E. Motion to approve the MNHS Fashion Club. The purpose of the club is to allow students to share an interest in fashion, team building and collaboration. The club advisor is Stephanie Doran.
  
- F. Motion to approve the MNHS Badminton Club. The purpose of this club is to make new friends while having fun and playing the game. The club advisors are Eric Houck and Chris Gicking.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Paine