

West Islip School District
Education Committee
2016-2017

Minutes
January 12, 2017

Members in attendance: Steve Gellar, Annmarie LaRosa, Kevin O'Connor, Bernadette Burns, Anne Rullan

Meeting started at 7:20 p.m.

CTLE Approved Sponsor

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) received our application to be an approved Sponsor of Continuing Teacher and Leader Education (CTLE) pursuant to the Commissioner of Education. The term of approval is five years, beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2021. At least three months prior to the end date, we will need to reapply for approval. In order to be approved as a Sponsor, the district submitted their Professional Development Plan outlining professional development standards and indicators, three year goals, yearly implementation, the mentor program, four-year new teacher program, CTLE requirements, and language acquisition addressing the needs of English Language Learners requirements.

G Suite for Education

The district continues to provide professional development to our teachers in the use of G Suite for Education. We have completed training to nearly two-thirds of our faculty and staff. Chromebooks will be distributed to our teachers who have completed their training.

We have an exciting pilot opportunity for Middle School teachers to pilot utilization of G Suite within their classroom. We are looking for teachers to pilot Google Apps for Education (G Suite) in their classroom with their students as well as integrate the available technology. Minimally, we would like to have at least one teacher from Beach Street and Udall Road Middle Schools. Teachers chosen will receive a class set of Chromebooks and a cart, updated flat-screen SmartBoard, a document camera, and a connectivity to WiFi. Those interested must fill out a Google form application. We hope to be able to kick off this pilot in February.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.