

**Orange Board of Education  
Curriculum and Technology Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes  
April 30, 2018**

**Present: Superintendent Vince Scarpetti, Dr. Russo, Mr. Ziman, Mrs. Browe, Mrs. Hadlock, Mr. Flynn**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm.

**2. Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

**3. Music Curriculum Update**

Dr. Russo presented details about recent professional development for music teachers. Dr. Heather Shouldice, a professor from Michigan, visited the Orange schools to support teachers in developing musicianship for all children through "audiation" (thinking in musical sounds). During her three-day visit, she modeled techniques with children, worked with teachers on curriculum mapping, and then presented at the New England Music Learning Theory Conference hosted by Orange Elementary Schools.

**4. April 25<sup>th</sup> Professional Learning Update**

Dr. Russo shared details about the April 25<sup>th</sup> professional learning sessions. District Curriculum ELA and Math Teams met to focus on assessments, proficiency scales, and differentiated resources. Dr. Russo added that Grade Level teams met to develop proficiency scales and benchmark items for math units. World Languages, Library Media Specialists, PE, Art, and LEAP also met to work on special events or professional learning initiatives in their disciplines.

**5. Digital Citizenship**

Mr. Ziman suggested that the district look at educating students about issues related to the way children are using computers and electronic devices. Dr. Russo and Dr. Scarpetti committed to looking into this issue in more depth.

**6. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.