

# Merrill Area Public Schools

*MAPS Mission Statement: Merrill Area Public Schools, in partnership with the Merrill Community and our families, will empower students to be lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and productive community members.*

## Curriculum/Technology/Pupil Services Committee Meeting

**Wednesday – September 8, 2021**

**4:30 PM**

**MAPS Central Administration Building**

(1111 N. Sales Street, Merrill, Wisconsin)

## Minutes

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call – Karen Baker, Ron Liberty, Glenda Oginski, Dr. John Sample, Maria Volpe, Brett Woller and Linda Yingling

Meeting called to order by Maria Volpe at 4:35pm

Brett Woller arrived at 4:40pm

Committee members absent: None

Additional Board Members In Attendance: NA

Administrators present at meeting: Shannon Murray, John Miller, Dale Bergman

No community members present

- II. Approval of the [August 11, 2021 CTP Committee Meeting Minutes](#)

Motion by Liberty, second by Yingling to approve the August 11, 2021 Committee Meeting Minutes with noted change of “Committee Members” changed to “Community Members” (Others present: Two committee members). Motion carried.

- III. Curriculum

1. Strength & Conditioning Program Discussion

**This was requested by the CTP Committee Members at the August 11, 2021 meeting to add to this agenda.**

John Miller and Shannon Murray presented information regarding the program. This class is part of the curriculum, offered after school, summer school, and integrated and consistent at all levels. The program is adequately staffed at this time. Other people supervise the after school program. The program is available to all sport teams and coaches decide if their team members will participate.

2. New Teacher Orientation

**Please see the attached [topic summary sheet](#) provided by Glenda Oginski.**

Ms. Oginski presented the above information regarding new teacher orientation.

IV. Special Education/Pupil Services

1. Lincoln County Health Department School Health Services 2020-2021 Report

**Please see the attached [June 2020-2021 Report](#) from Lincoln County Health Department.**

Report available to review.

2. COVID-19 Updates and Start of School Recommendations

[MAPS COVID-19 Dashboard](#)  
[2021-2022 MAPS COVID Cases](#)

Table until next meeting. Ongoing information.

V. Technology

1. None

VI. Facility Consolidation and Transportation Update

**Please see the attached [topic summary sheet](#) from John Sample and Dale Bergman.**

Dale updated positives with playground-families using at PRMS, construction is completed. Transportation has been a challenge, thought it was secured and ready and Traversa was wrong with routing transportation. List isn't complete. Elementary is complete with transfers, more transportation than in the past 15 years. A lot of people across the river are riding that haven't in the past. Has taken a lot of calls, some happy, some not so happy families. Met this morning with Jennifer, Carla and Wendorf to get to the next phase. Catching back up to families. Some communication was too much information for families. Dale believes they are on the right path now.

Maria Volpe - they have been told since July from Dale that we got this on track, the district isn't taking responsibility for any of this - these are the themes she is hearing in the community. Parent claimed the 7-year-old had to navigate 3rd street by herself in front of the middle school. What is the plan for communication to the community, "we know there were problems." How do we ensure this doesn't happen next year?

John Sample - We are going to do district-wide communication, it doesn't look good when we send blank emails home. He communicated with two ladies with similar situations. He was at Kate to make sure it went well. No calls today. Dale and John are getting an apology out to families. Dale will reach out to everybody. Next year we won't have this problem. The students will all be enrolled in Traversa and that was a big task. Now that everyone is in there, he may have an open house for parents to get enrollment completed earlier. July 15th rollover in Skyward because of academics so nothing can go to families for online registration. John Sample - This winter will have a tabletop activity with even parents so we can understand the process so we can avoid this happening again.

Found bad information and had to pump the brakes to fix it. Linda suggested a practice run of each route ahead of time.

VII. Standing Agenda Item for Policy Review by CTP Committee

**Please see the attached [main index](#) for Committee review of policies.**

[5520 Disorderly Conduct](#)

[5730 Equal Access for Non District-Sponsored, Student Clubs and Activities](#)

Table until next meeting.

VIII. Potential Items for Future Meetings

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.