

## T&L 10/3

- Approved minutes 4-0-1
- Proposed a revision to board policy 2340 so that most field trips will be approved by principals and the superintendent instead of having to come through the T&L committee.
  - The super would then communicate to the full board all approved trips.
  - The exceptions would be international trips for competitions (the only international travel currently allowed), AK or HI, or non-curricular field trips
  - They will vote on this proposal next month.
- AP US Government course syllabus approved for adoption 5-0
- Government and econ textbook adoption process discussion
  - Piloting 2 econ texts for about a week each this semester (chose one unit for each text to use in the pilot; the chosen unit mirrors a unit currently offered)
    - McGraw Hill used in several area districts
    - TCi used for world and US history in SDW
  - Piloting 3 government texts for about a week each this semester (chose one unit for each text to use in the pilot; the chosen unit mirrors a unit currently offered)
    - McGraw Hill US Government & Civics
    - TCi Government Alive!
    - Bedford American Government Stories of a Nation (already adopted for AP US Government however it doesn't have Spanish companion versions available)
- HS principals Maria D'Amato-Kuche (WS), Thomas Scalmo (WN) & Ryan Patt (WW) shared HS schedule updates including a recommendation to move to block scheduling
  - Concerns w/ current schedule
    - Mondays feel rushed due to shorter class periods as have all 8 classes
    - Mondays also feel overwhelming to students with 8 different lessons, 8 different assignments, shorter time to work, etc.
    - More transitions throughout the day
    - Inconsistency in instruction. For example if a teacher teaches English 9 during 2nd and 4th hour, from Tues-Thurs they have different lessons in 2nd hour than 4th hour because of the current drop 2 schedule
    - Missing instructional time
  - Recommending implementation of an A/B block schedule starting next school year (2024-25) and a shift of HS hours to 7:30am-3pm (5 mins earlier than this year)
    - Reduce transitions
    - Allows for AP, dual/world language, core content, music, AVID, VISION (not sure what this is), academies, EL & SpEd courses to run as either semester long or year long like currently
    - Teachers are planning only 2-3 lessons a week vs 4
    - Students only have to focus on 3-4 topics a day instead of 6-8
    - Will encourage physical and mental breaks, group work and collaboration, reflection and discussion, and other ways to change the instruction up to keep students engaged for a longer period of time
    - Scheduled JIT (Just in Time) for all students at the same time so all students have access to all teachers
  - Will continue discussing and bring feedback from stakeholders to the November meeting with hopes of approving by December
    - No KPIs to report

## A/B Block Schedule General Time Overview

<b>A Lunch Schedule</b>	1	7:30 - 9:00		<b>B Lunch Schedule</b>	1	7:30 - 9:00
	2	9:05 - 10:35			2	9:05 - 10:35
	Lunch A	10:40 - 11:10			3A	10:40 - 12:10
	3B	11:15 - 12:45			Lunch B	12:15 - 12:45
	HR/JIT	12:50 - 1:25			HR/JIT	12:50 - 1:25
	4	1:30 - 3:00			4	1:30 - 3:00