

## **Curriculum and Education Committee Meeting**

**November 7, 2011**

**5:30 P.M.**

### **HUSSEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Betty Jo Libby, Nancy Bernier, Katie Vose

**Other Board Members Present:** Jane Dennison, Sue Campbell, Deborah Towle,

**Administrators Present:** Tina Meserve, Connie Brown, Kathy Casparius

**Other Staff Members Present:** none

#### **Item 1: Technology Update**

Kathy Casparius informed the committee that our Technology Plan is due at the end of this year. She provided the guidelines from the DOE and also our current Technology Plan for reference. Kathy shared that we have a varied group of staff members on the committee and asked for a board member to join us. Katie Vose volunteered to join the committee. Sue Campbell would like to get notices and may attend when she can. Our first meeting will be December 12, 2011 at 3:30. Mrs. Casparius also shared a Technology Expectation list that was created for teachers. The Technology Committee identified the expectations. They gathered information from other schools and from our staff through a survey. We discussed support for implementing the expectations next year. The committee agreed that teachers should have the basic technology competencies identified on the list. Kathy also reported on a range of professional development we are offering to staff, including Ipad training, Web2School and Webpage. Members of the board present at the meeting voiced an interest in Ipad training.

#### **Item 2 – Smarter Balance Update**

Tina Meserve shared a packet of information about Smarter Balance. The Assessment Consortium is working on a new assessment system that will align to the Common Core Standards adopted by Maine in January 2011. This test will replace NECAP in 2014. It will include an adaptive computerized section as well as performance tasks. The test result will be available within days of completing the computer portion, which will be a big improvement over the NECAP.

#### **Item 3 – CIPS Update**

There was not time for a detailed update but Tina Meserve reported that school teams are meeting and working on their CIPS plans. Staff and community members are setting goals and establishing plans to improve on areas of weakness. These plans will be in place for 3 years. Plans are due to the state on December 1, 2011.