

# CEDARBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Mission Statement

*The mission of the Cedarburg School District is to provide an exemplary education that challenges students in a nurturing environment to develop into lifelong learners, to become responsible adults and to achieve their goals and dreams.*

## Curriculum Committee Meeting

April 27, 2016

5:00 p.m.

District Office Boardroom

This meeting will be considered an informational meeting of the School Board if a quorum is present

## - Minutes -

Members Present: Rick Leach, Phil McGoohan  
Member Excused: David Krier  
Others Present: Todd Bugnacki, Alan Groth, Kirstin Rose, Jeff Nelson  
Guests: Ms. Florio, Ms. Gibson and Ms. Karrels

Mr. Leach called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

### I. Approve Minutes of April 5, 2016

Mr. McGoohan moved to approve the Minutes of April 5, 2016. Mr. Leach seconded the motion. Motion passed, 2-0.

### II. Foreign Travel Planning Update

Ms. Florio stated the Curriculum Committee requested more information regarding the travel companies (Interact and Xperitas) associated with the recommended upcoming foreign travel.

Information was shared for both companies regarding the initial process for selecting and recruiting host families, evaluations of host families prior to accepting students and how many new and recurring families are used by the company. Both Ms. Florio and Ms. Karrels reported police or detective checks are not common or used with each company as they are not culturally appropriate. The Xperitas' family stay coordinators work directly with each family in talking through the expectations when hosting foreign students.

Discussion ensued.

A former Nicolet teacher from the community spoke on behalf of her years of experience with Nicolet's foreign travel and the opportunities it provided to students.

Ms. Karrels mentioned she has started a relationship with a school in Germany and would be interested in pursuing an exchange with that school, keep Interact Company for travel arrangements and go through the partner school to help with host families.

Mr. Bugnacki praised the World Language teachers for coming forward with enriching opportunities and look forward to continuing the conversation.

### III. Adjournment

Mr. McGoohan moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Leach seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Weaver  
Secretary to the School Board