

**EAST HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION  
SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
EAST HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL BOARDROOM  
35 WHEELBARROW LANE  
EAST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT 06513**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: Mrs. DePalma and Mr. DeNuzzo**

**ABSENT: Mr. Hennessey, Mrs. Kluth, Mrs. Maisano,  
Mr. Palladino, Mr. Pompano, Mr. Scalesse,  
and Mrs. Vineyard**

**ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Anthony Serio, Superintendent  
Mrs. Erica Forti, Asst. Supt of  
Curriculum & Instruction  
Mrs. Mary Acquarulo, Director of Pupil Services  
Mr. John Prato, Principal  
Ms. Phyllis Savo, Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Marianne Johnson, Principal  
Mr. Steve Anderson, Principal**

**1. OPEN MEETING**

Chairperson, Mrs. DePalma called the Curriculum & Instruction Subcommittee meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. in the Boardroom at the High School.

**2. Scheduling for JMMS, EH Academy & EHHS**

There was Pearson Power School training @ JMMS/EHA this week. Mrs. Forti informed everyone about her visit to NBIS to discuss scheduling. The JMMS staff meeting regarding "T" chart was held today

and facilitated by Neil Sullivan. The same would be facilitated by Mr. Prato with parents. Mr. Prato and Mr. Sullivan will meet with students and the data will be triangulated and used to develop the schedule.

Mrs. DePalma asked what “integrated language arts” meant @ JMMS and EHA. Mrs. Forti explained the curriculum and that at EH Academy it included social studies.

### **3. Credit/Grade/Attendance Recovery for EHHS, EHA & JMMS**

Mr. Anderson shared information regarding the credit recovery program at EHHS (handouts). Mr. DeNuzzo asked if there was a cost analysis done and Mr. Serio thought there would be the same dollars and more students. Discussion ensued regarding the benefit of this type of program compared to a typical summer school.

Mrs. DePalma supported something like the credit recovery program at EHHS for JMMS to address grades/attendance. Mr. Prato discussed the after-school enrichment/tutorial at JMMS. There were 88 students involved where they can get help with projects/homework. Enrichment activities were also a part of the program. Mr. Prato will notify parents regarding students that were failing. Mrs. Johnson shared information regarding her after-school program that was available for grades 3-8.

### **4. School Improvement Plans (SIP's)**

Mrs. Forti shared SIP's from EH Academy, EHHS, and JMMS. Information was shared about the development of teacher goals that were tied into the SIP's.

Mrs. DePalma asked JMMS about their needs/books/etc. Mrs. Amato shared information about science and social studies scheduling at the elementary level.

Mrs. Forti discussed Education Connections Grant award and link with East Haven.

**5. Any other business that might rightfully come before this subcommittee.**

There was no other business this evening.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**PATRICIA DEPALMA, CHAIR  
CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION  
SUBCOMMITTEE**