

**Curriculum and Instruction Committee**  
**September 27, 2017**

**Attendance:**

Tracy Baron	BOE Member
Shannon Johnson	BOE Member
Michelle Kaczmarek	ELA Instructional Chairperson (K-8)
Kara Walker	AIS teacher - Springhurst
Doug Berry	Asst. Superintendent
Lisa Brady	Superintendent

**Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI)**

The Committee met with Michelle Kaczmarek and Kara Walker for a presentation on the new program being used with AIS students at Springhurst in grades 4 and 5. There was a lot of discussion about the various programs including the ELA After-School Academy Program (funded by SPRING and the District) , Academic Intervention Services (AIS), Response to Intervention (RTI) tiers and which kids are in these programs. There can be cross-over for some students. Reading support includes short term intervention, small group instruction, supplement to classroom literacy instruction and provides support to reach grade-level competencies.

We now have 4 teachers providing reading support at Springhurst. The District is implementing a new Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) Reading Support program developed by Fountas and Pinnell. Previously, teachers were using teacher created lessons using leveled texts from common publishers and the focus of lessons were based on formal and informal assessments. The teachers were looking for a research-based program created for intervention in grades K-5 with a series of lessons that follow a clear scope and sequence of skills. The new program uses engaging texts and puts books in the hands of kids. It also allows for systematic assessment and progress monitoring. The program allows for flexible entry and exit, classroom connections and professional development is offered as well.

There was a lot of excitement about this program and the District's providing very strong support early on in the elementary grades.

**Topics Ahead:**

Assessment and Demographic Data

Regents Data

3-8 State Tests

IB Trends

Subgroup Performance

Revised ELA and Math Standards

Roll Out of new Science Standards - Science 21

PYP

Middle School Support for Economically Disadvantaged

Springhurst Math Support