MINUTES OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING OF SENECA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, DISTRICT 160, SENECA, ILLINOIS

A meeting of the CURRICULUM Committee was held on March 8, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Rich Hamilton, Sara Olson and Ron Frye. Also present: Jim Carlson, Marty Voiles, Kirk Houchin, Chris Jackson, Chris Armbrust, Rachael Babcock, Deb DeGraaf, Kristine Ehrler, Jason Eltrevoog, Melissa Klicker, Becky Thomas, and Shane Trager

A. Weighted Grades

The Administration, including Guidance Counselors Kirk Houchin and Chris Jackson, presented information to parents related to the unintended consequences that have occurred related to weighted grades.

Dr. Carlson, Mr. Houchin and Mr. Jackson also discussed how these unintended consequences have impacted those students who have taken summer school classes over the last couple years. Grade point averages and grading scales were items also discussed. Parents weighed in with suggestions and feedback for the Administration to consider, especially when attempting to reward those students who are taking more rigorous courses.

B. New Courses for 2017-18

Mr. Voiles reviewed the new courses that will be added to the master schedule beginning in the 2017-18 school year.

C. Increasing Rigor – Performance Based Final Exams

Due to a lack of time, this item was tabled until next meeting.

D. Student Supports

The current student supports include START, SST, and the SAP Team. More information will be given at the next meeting.

E. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary

3-15-17

Date