



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety and Media Literacy Advisory Council  
December 6, 2021  
Virtual TEAMS Meeting  
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

The meeting was held on December 6, 2021. The meeting convened at 3:32 p.m. and the following members were present:

Present: Melissa Wlodarczyk Hickey (Chair)  
Jennifer Dolan  
Charles Dumais  
Barbara Johnson  
Kristie McGarry  
Marcus Stallworth

Members of the public also joined via TEAMS.

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 3:32 p.m.

**II. Approval of November 8, 2021 Minutes**

Barbara Johnson moved to approve the minutes from November 8, 2021. Chip Dumais seconded. Council approved as presented unanimously.

**III. National School Library Standards for Learners, School Librarians, and School Libraries Update**

Melissa Hickey and Barbara Johnson shared that on December 1, 2021, the CSDE the Connecticut Board of Education (Board) adopted the AASL standards. Council members were thanked for their work, service, and leadership regarding the AASL standards process.

**IV. Introductions of Council and Members of Public**

Council members and members of the public introduced themselves for CT-N purposes.

**V. Cyberbullying Next Steps**

Jennifer Dolan and Marcus Stallworth shared possible next steps regarding the creation of cyberbullying supports (see attached "Cyberbullying Proposals" document). Council discussed next steps and decided to first focus on updating the Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety, and Media Literacy Guidelines to include cyberbullying. Then, focus on identifying model curricula (e.g., Common Sense Media) and stakeholder education (e.g., PSAs, students and adults).

Doug Casey shared with the Council about the Website [www.goopenct.org](http://www.goopenct.org) and explained that this Website was built as means/platform to share lessons, flip videos, and learning materials, etc.

The following links were shared in the TEAMS chat:

- <https://www.common sense.org/education/digital-citizenship/curriculum>
- <https://www.missingkids.org/netsmartz/home>
- <https://www.welcome2reality.us>

**VI. Continued Council Membership Conversation**

As many Council members retired, the Council continued their discussion regarding the updating of membership. Marcus Stallworth shared that he spoke to C.A.S.A. and Jennifer Dolan knows a teacher who is interested. Marcus and Jennifer will send the names of interested individuals to Melissa Hickey at [Melissa.Hickey@ct.org](mailto:Melissa.Hickey@ct.org). Melissa asked if anyone is interested in being on the Council to contact her at [Melissa.Hickey@ct.org](mailto:Melissa.Hickey@ct.org). The Council will resume the membership conversation after the Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety, and Media Literacy Guidelines have been revised.

**VII. Next Steps**

Barbara Johnson will create a Google document for the Council to begin their edits of the Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety, and Media Literacy Guidelines. Council members will review noted comments and edit during the January 10, 2022, meeting.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.