

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety and Media Literacy Advisory Council
May 18, 2021
Virtual TEAMS Meeting
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was held on May 18, 2021. The meeting convened at 4:05 p.m. and the following members were present:

Present: Melissa Wlodarczyk Hickey (Chair)

Jennifer Dolan
Barbara Johnson
Kristie McGarry
Robert Mitchell
Marcus Stallworth
Glenn Lungarini

#### I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m.

# II. Approval of Minutes from January 25, 2021

Motion to approve the minutes with no changes, edits, or deletions by Glenn Lungarini. Motion seconded by Barbara Johnson.

## III. Digital Citizenship and Cyberbullying Workgroup

Marcus Stallworth updated Council on the work of the group. Marcus looking for a co-chair. There is excitement to move forward. Jennifer Dolan combed through <a href="Digital Citizenship">Digital Citizenship</a>, Internet Safety, and Media Literacy Guidelines and <a href="Recommended Actions">Recommended Actions</a> and notes cyberbullying mentioned once. This reinforces direction of providing guidance to the field.

Glenn Lungarini brought up current Supreme Court case and impact on educational process. Council brainstormed some ideas around cyberbullying: PSA on cyberbullying, contest around digital citizenship and cyberbullying. Glenn mentioned that CAS-CIAC does have ability to support the creation of PSAs. We discussed CTECS and CTPublic as potentials as well.

### IV. Standards Workgroup

Barbara Johnson updated Council on the work of the group. Surveys were disseminated to school library staff, teachers, parents, students, other stakeholders about current standards and needs for school library/media standards. Barbara shared the survey data with the Council. Information from surveys indicate:

- 152 responses from Teachers/Admin/Patrons
- 102 responses from Librarians
- Of the 154 responses, approximately 60 people provided emails expressing

interest in participating in a focus group.

- The majority responded needing standards that:
  - o facilitate student learning opportunities;
  - o assist in the selection safe/interactive technology tools; and
  - o help safely navigate the digital world.
- Majority indicated the need for new and national standards in CT.
- Many respondents shared that they are currently using the AASL standards.

Next steps for this group are focus groups on June 2, 2021, and June 8, 2021, from 4-4:45 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

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