

Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2021

Instructional Materials Committee

Facilitator: Fred Rundle, Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services • Secretary: Vanessa Adams, Learning Services

Present:

Lindzie Adamson
Jamey Balousek
Mary Jo Budzius
Adil Chaudrey
Renee DeBock
Martina Fitzgerald
Joseph Gushanas
Brian Hampsh
Tony Ive
Kati McConn
Cindi Pacecca
Beilan Wang
Erin Wilson
Vivian Zhou

Absent:

Liz Buchan
Molly Harnish
Jakob John-Lewis
Jill Kelly
Anu Vege
Emily Yang

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM. Fred welcomed participants to the third and likely last meeting of the year. Due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, the meeting was held via Zoom Video Conferencing.

World History Interactive – Textbook

MIHS Grade 10 Social Studies, Modern World History, **Core Instructional**

Written by: Elisabeth Gaynor Ellis and Anthony Esler

Published by: Savvas, 2022

Proposal submitted by: 10th Grade Textbook Adoption Committee: Amanda Mattocks, MIHS Social Studies teacher, Melanie Vandenberg, MIHS Social Studies teacher, Susan Rindlaub, MIHS Social Studies teacher, Tyson Peters, MIHS Social Studies teacher, David Willecke, MIHS Social Studies teacher; Muhammad Kazeroonian, MIHS student, Jacob Grosos, MIHS student, Bill Wang MIHS student, Garrett Lee, MIHS student, Olivia Guo, MIHS student

Amanda Mattocks presented the *World History Interactive* proposal. She explained that the proposed textbook is an updated version of the current textbook, which is popular but no longer in production. A 10th Grade Modern World History textbook needs to present a diverse lens on global history, not just western world history. The committee members feel that *World History Interactive* meets this requirement. Additionally, it aligns with MISC curriculum and learning objectives. It also provides solid online support. It is strong regionally and chronologically, less so thematically which makes it a good fit for current course offerings. Other assets include availability in many languages and hyperlinked definitions.

Vote: Renee DeBock motioned to approve *World History Interactive* as core instructional material for MIHS Grade 10 Social Studies, Modern World History for the 2021-22 school year. Brian Hampsch seconded the motion. There were no abstentions. The motion passed.

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End of year issues and planning for next year

Fred offered his appreciation to those members whose 3-year terms have come to an end: Lindzie Adamson, Brian Hampsch, and Molly Harnish, as well as to Erin Wilson who is moving on to new adventures. Other committee members will be contacted later in the summer to find out if they wish to remain on the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 PM.