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**MINUTES OF SECONDARY SCIENCE CURRICULUM ADOPTION
COMMITTEE 2023-2024
SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48
SUSD Oak Campus, 7501 E Oak St, Scottsdale, AZ 85257**

Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 Time: 3:30 - 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 3:38 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present: Nagib Belfakih, Michael Bengert, Marissa Blanco-Johnson, Julie Koshy, Jen MacColl, Jodi Meyers, Steve Millam, Paula Sabato, Kim Salaway, Micah Sandys, Michelle Watt

Absent: Christopher Donovan, Rissel Langbacker, Jaclyn Papa, Providence Ryan

Chairperson(s), Committee Support -

Present: Kim Dodds Keran, Johanna Kaiser, Dede Johnston

Information/Discussion and Possible Action

3. Approval of 12/04/2023 Meeting Agenda - Information/Discussion or Possible Action Item
Johanna Kaiser

- Motion: was made by Michael Bengert
- Seconded: by Steve Millam
- Motion was approved by all

4. Approval of Minutes from 10/30/2023 - Information/Discussion or Possible Action Item
Johanna Kaiser

- Motion: was made by Jen MacColl
- Seconded: Paula Sabato
- Motion was approved by all

5. Overview of Committee Process -

Johanna Kaiser

The committee reviewed the work the committee has already completed.

“Where we have been...”

Recap of Meeting 10/19/23

- Introductions, Open Meeting Laws, Committee Goals, Committee Norms, Arizona Science Standards Overview, Vendor Criteria Letter, ADE Resources.

- Dr. Kim Dodds Keran provided updated information about the Confidentiality Agreement no longer being required in SUSd.

Recap of Meeting 10/30/23

- Rubric Overview, Rubric Calibration Activity

The committee was given an overview of the work that will be done in the coming months.

“Where we are going...”

Preview of Meetings 12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 1/8: Review of Materials

- Committee members will review and score materials for assigned content. Members work individually or collaboratively and will submit individual rubric scores. Content groups review data and come to consensus about limited Vendor Presentation Invitations.

Preview of Week February 5: Vendor Presentations

- Presentations that dive deeper into each material
- Pricing information would be presented to the committee members during Vendor Presentation week

Preview of Meeting 2/12

- Group Consensus and Committee Action Item for recommendations of materials to SUSd Governing Board

6. Review of Materials -

Johanna Kaiser

The committee first reviewed the Materials Review Guidelines. Groups were given an overview of the submitted materials for their contents/courses and were shown how they were organized in the room. Groups then began reviewing materials.

Recap of Group Work:

- Group A (Earth and Space Science, Oceanography/Astronomy) - The group noted the copyright and publishing dates of the materials and expressed interest in knowing if updated versions would be available soon. D. Johnston will inquire about potential release dates for updated materials, and J. Kaiser will provide an update at the next meeting..
- Group B (Environmental Science, AP Environmental Science, Zoology/Botany) - The members reviewed a variety of materials. Those reviewing Zoology/Botany materials expressed interest in broadening their review to include Biology textbooks with comprehensive sections on Zoology and Botany. J. Kaiser will investigate this possibility and provide an update at the next meeting..
- Group C (Honors Astrophysics) - The group reported that they have begun reviewing one material. They expressed interest in expanding their review to include the Open Education Resource (OER) used by Scottsdale Community College, the dual enrollment partner. J. Kaiser will research SCC's OER materials and provide an update at the next meeting.

7. Future Meetings

Johanna Kaiser

- Monday, December 11th, 2023 from 3:30 - 5:30 PM
at SUSd Oak Campus 7501 E. Oak St., Scottsdale, AZ 85257
- Monday, December 18th, 2023 from 3:30 - 5:30 PM
at SUSd Oak Campus 7501 E. Oak St., Scottsdale, AZ 85257

- The primary goal of these meetings will be reviewing materials.
- Public Display/Review begins Monday, Monday, December 11, 2023. Information about public review will be posted to the Secondary Science Curriculum Adoption Committee 2023-2024 website.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:26 PM.

Dated this day, Monday, December 4, 2023.