



Paradise Valley Unified School District | Meeting Minutes

# K-12 Social Studies Curriculum Resources Committee Meeting

**Date:** March 18, 2024

**Time:** 4:00 - 6:00 pm

**Location:** District Training Center-South

**Facilitator:** Sheryl Chariton, Curriculum Specialist and Matt Lersch, Assistant Principal

## Committee Members Present:

- **Administrator Representative** – Jean Koeppen, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
- **Teaching Staff Representative** – Jon Altmann, High School History

Debbie Arn, 4th Grade  
Matt Bustos, High School History  
Alexus Crockett, Middle School History  
Marisa Fair, Middle School History  
Max Foster, 3rd Grade  
Lisa Howe, High School History  
Haley Kolseth, 4th Grade  
Heather Neely, 6th Grade  
Dr. Von Perot, High School Psychology  
Kelly Romm, 3rd Grade, Core Knowledge  
Guadalupe Soto Rodriguez, 6th Grade, DLI  
Katina Teubner, elementary special education

## Principal Representative –

Jamie Roberson, Principal  
Joey Ruppel, Assistant Principal

- **Parent Representative** –

Laura Hill  
Jamie Katz  
Trevor Nelson  
Natalie Okeke  
Matt Rinn

**Purpose of Committee:** The Curriculum and Instruction Department will be facilitating the committee process for establishing a K-12 social studies curriculum resource adoption to propose to the Governing Board. As part of this process, the committee will be considering traditional publisher resources, online programs, and open source curriculum resources for this adoption.

**Purpose:**

To examine the resources of each publisher and review the comments from the 60-day Review.

**Outcomes:**

- Gain a comprehensive understanding of the curriculum options available.
- Review feedback from committee, students, and stakeholders and discuss the influence this will have on final recommendations.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of each curriculum.

## Minutes

**I. Welcome****A. Purpose of Committee:**

- a. The purpose of the committee was reviewed. To establish a K-12 social studies curriculum resource adoption to propose to the Governing Board. As part of this process, the committee will be considering traditional publisher resources, online programs, and open source curriculum resources for this adoption.
- b. The purpose of tonight's meeting was to review feedback from the committee, students, and stakeholders and discuss the influence this will have on the final recommendation.

**II. Committee Process**

- a. Norms and the committee timeline were reviewed, as well as committee members and stakeholder roles.

**III. & IV. Review 60-day Review Comments and Publisher Materials**

- a. A data protocol was used with grade-band groups to review committee, student, and stakeholder feedback.
- b. Each group presented their findings to the whole group about the feedback regarding each vendors' curriculum.

**V. Call to the Public****VI. End of Meeting**

*Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm*