

Paradise Valley Unified School District | Meeting Minutes

7-12 World Language Curriculum Resources Committee Meeting

Date: November 18, 2024

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Location: District Training Center-North

Facilitator: Sheryl Chariton, Curriculum Specialist

Committee Members Present:

• Administrator Representative – Kathleen Alexander, Assistant Principal

• Teaching Staff Representative – Christina Bernardino, Spanish PVOnline Teacher

Matt Case, Spanish HS Teacher Suzanne Hunt, Spanish HS Teacher Elizabeth Llamosa Neumann, Spanish MS Teacher Erika Lopez, Spanish MS Teacher Laura Sierra-Reyes, Spanish HS Teacher Adam Thomas, Spanish HS Teacher Dawn Trueblood, French HS Teacher

• Parent Representative – Laura Miyazaki, Parent

Purpose of Committee: The Curriculum and Instruction Department will be facilitating the committee process for establishing a 7-12 world language 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 discuss the publisher presentations and decide which publishers will move forward for the 60 day review.

Outcomes:

- Gain a comprehensive understanding of the curriculum options available.
- Evaluate the effectiveness each curriculum presented.
- Decide which publishers will move forward for the 60 day review.

Minutes

I. Welcome

- A. Purpose of Committee: The purpose of the committee was reviewed. To establish a 7-12 world language 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.** Purpose of Tonight's Meeting: To discuss publisher presentations and decide which publishers will move forward for the 60 day review.

II. Committee Timeline & 60 Day Review Process

- **A.** Committee timeline was reviewed: the next committee meeting will be in January.
- **B.** The 60 day review process was reviewed: the 60 day review process will be November 25, 2024 through February 19, 2025. This is an opportunity for the community and teachers to review the materials and to provide feedback. The materials along with a QR code for digital materials will be located in the district office lobby. Information about the 60 day review will be sent to the schools and the world language departments.

III. Committee Process

- A. Reviewed member & stakeholder roles
- B. Reviewed participant agreements
- C. Reviewed consensus protocol
- D. Reviewed areas to consider while evaluating curriculum including Arizona World Language Standards and ACTFL Proficiency Levels.

IV. Assessment of Needs

- A. Discussed the make up of PVSchools including demographics, special populations, and the number of Title v. Non-Title schools. This was for the committee to understand the diverse needs of our middle schools and high schools throughout the district.
- B. Discussed the various needs of the middle school and high school world language courses. For example, the middle school intro Spanish and French course versus the Spanish and French Level 1-2 course offered at both the middle school and high school. This discussion also included what is needed for on-level courses, honors/AP courses, and IB courses.

V. Discuss Vendor Presentations

A. Committee discussed the vendor presentations and how each vendor's curriculum meets the needs of the district and the world language courses.

VI. Consensus on Vendors Moving Forward to 60 Day Review

A. Committee decided to move the following vendors forward for the 60-day review process. This includes curriculum for both the Spanish and French courses, unless otherwise stated. The 60-day review will be November 25 to February 19. In no particular order:

- 1. Klett
- 2. Wayside
- 3. Carnegie
- 4. Vista Encuentros for Middle School Spanish Intro Course
- VII. Meeting Evaluation
- VIII. Call to the Public

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm