

## **Minutes of the Science Curriculum Selection Committee Public Meeting**

**Friday, April 14, 2023 @ 2:15 pm**

**Prescott Unified School District**

A public meeting of the Science Curriculum Selection Committee was held on April 14, 2023, in the District Office Inspiration Lab.

### **Committee Members present:**

Andy Nelson  
Carrie Vickerman  
Diane Ryan  
Elizabeth Burton  
Haylee Kile  
Jamie Bjune  
Jeff Wood  
Joeli Tickner  
Kat Hammer  
Kaylee Wellman  
Kim Kloos  
Krystal Kalmes  
Lisa Derion  
Matt Dean  
Patrick Kile  
Rachel Chunglo  
Roberta Thomas  
Ruth Littmann Ashkenazi  
Samantha Hammerstad  
Sara Hannan  
Sara Reveile  
Sarah Schuler  
Sebastian Puls  
Shelly Helmken  
Suzette Jaggars  
Tim Erickson  
Andy Binder  
Paul Bunnell

**1.1 CALL TO ORDER** – Mrs. Kelsey Secor, Director of Instructional Support called this meeting to order at 2:18 pm.

Mrs. Kelsey Secor introduced herself and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Mrs. Kelsey Secor led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 1.2 Purpose and Background on Previous work of the committee.

Mrs. Kelsey Secor shared the following presentation regarding the purpose and background on previous work of the committee.

The timeline and agendas from meetings 1-6 of the Science Curriculum Selection Committee meetings are part of this presentation. The presentation can be viewed in its entirety by visiting the following link:

[Meeting #6 \(FINAL\) - Science K-12 Curriculum Adoption Committee](#)

## 1.3 Review of Criteria for Scoring.

Mrs. Kelsey Secor and the Science Curriculum Selection Committee reviewed the following evaluation rubric created by the committee based on priorities:

Priority	Criteria	Rating Low 1 2 3 4 5	Evidence And Other Strengths & Weaknesses
	Teacher Friendly (ease of access of physical and digital materials, time to prepare)		
	Aligned to AZ standards		
	Phenomena based (multiple observable experiences, and example of how to implement)		
	Differentiation (gifted, SPED, ELL, developmentally appropriate, scaffolding, reading levels)		
	Balance of print and digital components (updated digital component)		
	Cross Categorical (support for ELA and math integration)		
	Hands on- engaging (built-in, balance of group work and individual, high interest, labs, linked to phenomena, current, variety)		
	Resources (online, outdoor, multimedia, learning styles, reusable or purchasable supplies, parent support, potential community partners)		
	Critical thinking and student discourse (tiered questions, open-ended questions that spark inquiry, opportunities for decision making and student-led projects)		
	Flexible pacing (varying time frames of lessons/ units)		
	Customizable lesson plans (modalities)		
	Assessment (summative, formative, aligned to prepare for state testing, variety of opportunities, rubrics, standards-based)		





## 1.4 Discussion of CURRICULUM Scoring.

Discussion ensued about reviewing publisher Q&A, updating curriculum scoring if need and finalizing scoring:

[Science Adoption Questions for Publishers](#)

### **1.5 Discussion and possible recommendation to the Governing Board to Consider Approval of a K-12 Science Curriculum for Instructional Use.**

Discussion ensued regarding the possible recommendation to the Governing Board. The Committee shared their final decisions and finalized recommendations on the final recommendation documents and created lists of needed materials:

-  K-2 FINAL Science Recommendation
-  3-5 FINAL Science Curriculum Recommendation
-  6-8 FINAL Science Curriculum Recommendation
-  9-12 FINAL Science Curriculum Recommendation

### **1.8 Future Meeting Dates and items for Future Agendas.**

Mrs. Kelsey Secor shared the following meeting dates and items for future agendas with the committee:

- Place curriculum on public display from **Apr 18, 2023** through June 19, 2023
- Plan for Governing Board presentation - date to be determined
  - Select committee members who can help present
- Governing Board Presentation at the next Governing Board Meeting scheduled for May 2, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the District Office Boardroom
- Take recommendation to the Governing Board for a vote on **Jun 27, 2023** at 5:00 pm in the District Office Boardroom.

### **1.9 Adjournment.**

Mrs. **Kelsey Secor** thanked everyone for their time. There was no further business. Hearing no objections, Mrs. Kelsey Secor adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.

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Kelsey Secor, Director of Instructional Support

