WILLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION Curriculum Committee MINUTES

November 17, 2022 7:00 p.m.

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Members Present

Tracey Anderson Ann Grosjean Laura Rodriguez

Also Present

Phil Stevens, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Erin Conley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Katie Rychling, science coordinator

1. Call to order

Superintendent Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Review science curriculum

Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Conley, reviewed the calendar of curriculum committee meetings. She reviewed the scope and sequence of the science curriculum, K-8. Dr. Conley reviewed the temporary usage of mystery science, which is aligned with NGSS, until the elementary approval of the open scied curriculum, an open use curriculum. She shared the layout of the science curriculum and examples of lessons. Katie Rychling reviewed her experiences with the curriculum and how impactful it has been with her students. Committee members stated the importance of sharing how different teaching and learning of science is now compared to prior years. Dr. Conley shared some sample assessments. Katie Rychling shared the importance of maintaining the Gizmos subscription, ordering supply kits, and providing professional development for teachers to learn the proper methods to implement the curriculum. The committee felt they would be prepared to make a recommendation for the grades 5 through 8 science curriculum following their December curriculum meeting. The committee discussed non-fiction reading in the curriculum.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

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