



HCC Curriculum Committee Minutes

Monday, December 5, 2022

A session of the Curriculum Committee, Hayden Canyon Charter School, held Monday, December 5, 2022, at 4:15 p.m.
Meeting to be held at 13590 N Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835.

I. Open the Meeting 4:20pm

- A. Board Member in Attendance: Paula Conley
- B. Board Clerk: Bridgette Dahlstrom
- C. Principal: Bill Rutherford
- D. HCC Teachers: Michelle Hull, Jadrian Watson
- E. HCC Parens: Robin Happeny, Tom Smith (on behalf of Georgie Messuri), Krystal Poland, Jana Nichols, Kaylynn Ontiveros, Ann Troya, Sara Lynch, Rebekah Preston-Dunn, Lacey Protopappas, Roxanne Garber, Andrew Potter, Lynette Palmer, Georgie Messuri
- F. Guests: Mallory Malee (HCC Teacher)

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Introduction of Committee Members

- A. Committee members shared their name, number of students at HCC (if relevant) and their committee position (parent, teacher, etc)

IV. Scope of Work Overview

- A. Create agreements and ground rules for how the committee will function
- B. Create Committee Norms
- C. Overview of purpose, goals and expectations of the committee

Mallory Malee joined the meeting at 4:31pm

- D. Overview of how the process the committee will use to Review Curriculum
 - 1. Resources from the Idaho State Website shared
- E. Overview of the Curriculum Review Rubric
 - 1. Example rubric from the Idaho State Website shared
 - 2. Explanation of how Rubric will be used to assess curriculum

Georgie Messuri joined the meeting at 4:48pm

Tom Smith left the meeting at 4:48pm

- F. Quick overview of Idaho Content Standards
 - 1. Explanation of change in standards for Idaho
 - 2. Overview of example standards on Idaho State website
- G. Introduction & Purpose of Curriculum Library
 - 1. Example of what the library will look like
 - 2. Purpose of library is to ensure all curriculum used in the school is located in one place and easily accessible to anyone who would like to view it

V. Set Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

- A. Meeting to be held on December 21, 2022 at 5:00pm at Hayden Canyon Charter.

VI. Prioritize Curriculum Cycle

- A. HCC needs to create a curriculum cycle for policy
- B. Curriculum to be reviewed
 - 1. English Language Arts (ELA)

2. Math
 3. Science
 4. Social Studies
 5. Character Education
 6. Physical Education/Health
 7. Arts & Humanities
 8. Music
- C. Curriculum should be reviewed & approved on a 5 year cycle
- D. Math curriculum was approved early 2022 so will not need to be done again at this time
- E. Ideally the committee will align our review cycle to the state adoption cycle
- F. Curriculum that will be the immediate focus:
1. ELA
 2. Character Development
 - a) Character development is part of the current CREW portion of Expeditionary Learning (EL) curriculum.
 - b) Character development is integrated into the general curriculum, it is not intended to be stand alone.

VII. Protocol to explore the present policy concerning curriculum

- A. Relevant Policies read by committee
 1. Policy 2000 - Instruction
 2. Policy 2100 - Curriculum Development and Assessment
 3. Policy 2520 - Curricular Materials
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 - a) Recommendation to add language regarding charging depreciated value for curricular materials that are near end of their useful life
 5. Policy 2540 - Selectin, Adoption and Removal of Curricular Material
- B. Bill encouraged all committee members to read each policy to see if there are any changes that may need to be recommended to the board.
- C. Review Idaho State approved curriculum
 1. State approved curriculum can be adopted by the committee but should still be reviewed prior to adoption

VIII. Review Expeditionary Learning (EL) Curriculum

- A. Overview of how to navigate the EL webpage and review curriculum
 1. Language Arts
 - a) Mention made by Jadrian that EL curriculum is lacking in grammar
 - b) Bill mentioned need to supplement EL curriculum to help build strong skills in all areas
 2. Life Science
 3. Social Studies
- B. Overview of Project Based Learning and how PBL fits into EL
 1. The following links were viewed by the committee
 - a) [Project-Based Learning: A Short History | Edutopia](#)
 - b) [Expeditionary Learning | EL Education](#)
 - c) [PBLWorks](#)
 - d) [Home - Educurious](#)
 - e) [High Tech High - Connect the Classroom to the World](#)
 - f) [New Tech High School](#)
- C. Overview of how curriculum is approved for PBL
 1. Reminder that the committee should review the curriculum with a critical and unbiased eye
 - a) Politics should be left out of curriculum and the review process
- D. Discussion regarding the background behind the committee and the purpose of avoiding controversy
 1. Bill use the example of the “Start with Hello” program and reactions from parents
 2. Emphasis on the role of the curriculum committee being to ensure that all curriculum not only aligns with Idaho State standards, but also adheres to HCC culture and beliefs

3. Noted by Bill that it is important to remember HCC does not teach to curriculum, we teach to standards.
4. Mention made by Mallory, and supported by Bill, that there is no perfect curriculum. The committee just needs to find what best meets the needs of our students.

IX. Adjournment 5:58pm