

DIVISION of LEARNING

Bob Bedford Assistant Superintendent



Social Studies Instructional Materials Adoption U.S. History Advisory Committee Recommendation Meeting Minutes January 23, 2024

Lemon Bay High School 5:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance:

See attached sign in sheets

Advisory Meeting Called to Order: 5:01 p.m.

- I. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Mr. Bob Bedford, Assistant Superintendent for Learning, welcomed the Advisory Committees and thanked them for their time and talent.
 - b. Mr. Bedford introduced, Donna Dunakey, the Lead Facilitator.
- II. Administrative Process
 - a. Lead Facilitator reviewed the purpose, objectives, format, meeting norms, and next steps for the group.

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- b. Lead Facilitator introduced the individual Committee Facilitators from the Division of Learning.
- c. Each Committee Facilitator escorted their assigned Advisory Committee to their appointed location.
- III. Review of Data
 - a. Committee Facilitator distributed folders with the applicable data.
 - b. Committee Facilitator provided 10 minutes for Advisory Committee Members to independently review and carefully consider the applicable data.

IV. Open Discussion

- a. Each Advisory Committee Member was given 2-3 minutes to provide an overview of their overall opinion on what they reviewed.
 - Gateway is best aligned to the standards, with Florida history embedded along the way.
 - ii. Gateway is to the point and well-organized for preparation for the EOC.
 - iii. Reading level allows multiple students to access the content in the Gateway text.
 - iv. Consumable feature and easily read charts and graphs allow for increased student engagement and comprehension of the Gateway text.

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- v. McGraw-Hill is a good text, but too much extraneous information that could bog down instruction.
- b. Committee Facilitator distributed the Summary Report with the quantitative score from EdCredible to the group.
- c. Committee Facilitator solicited feedback from the Committee.
- d. Discussion ensued about:
 - i. Tight alignment to standards with the Gateway text.
 - ii. Organization, graphic organizers, and vocabulary were stand out features of the Gateway text.
 - iii. McGraw-Hill geared for Honors and Advanced students.
- V. Reaching Consensus
 - a. Committee Facilitator asked the Committee to come to consensus and rank the instructional materials packages under review for recommendation to the Superintendent.
 - b. Committee Facilitator used the raising of hands to determine consensus on the following recommendation:

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- i. #1 Gateway to American History text by Florida Transformative Education
- ii. #2 McGraw-Hill
- iii. #3 Savvas
- VI. Submission of Recommendation and Ranking Form
 - *a*. Committee Facilitator recorded results on the Recommendation and Ranking Form.
 - b. Committee members signed the Recommendation and Ranking Form.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Dunakey