

Social Studies SFVC Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 4:00 PM – 5:00PM

Committee Chair/Co-chairs: Peter Ramsey, Howard Libit

Members: Eve Case, Kishanna Brown, Matthew Wilson, Mariam Spalding, Jennifer McDonald, Tracy Oliver-Gary, Claire Blankenfeld, Raleigh Nelson, Caroline Weiss-Stiles, Jon Marketto

Today's Attendees: Peter Ramsey, Howard Libit, Jon Marketto, Matthew Wilson, Eve Case, Kishanna Brown, Claire Blankenfeld, Caroline Weiss-Stiles, Josh Otarola

Next Meeting (Day and Time): N/A

Summary:

- Phin establishes a quorum (8 members present)

Feedback and Themes from Social Studies LEAs

- Phin reviews major feedback and trends from the public comments period
- Phin reviews instances of “and/or” in the Grade 6/7 Framework
- The first “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- The second “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- The third “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- The fourth “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- The fifth “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- The sixth “and/or” instance is reverted to original “and” language with no objections
- Discussed the revision of ending Unit 7, “Jerusalem” in 1980 to allow discussion of historical conflict
- Reviewed Grade 2, Unit 1 – “tool of voting” objection by MSEA to revised wording emphasizing civic responsibility of voting
- Reviewed Grade 3, Unit 1 – new objective may be redundant but group decided to keep objective due to value added in new language

Next Steps and Timeline

- Phin outlines the next steps, including a targeted final presentation to the Board of Education on March 25, 2025.

Final Questions and Meeting Adjournment

- The meeting is adjourned with a motion from Howard and a second from Caroline at 4:38 PM.