

MINUTES
NAD ELEMENTARY SUBCOMMITTEE
New Orleans, LA
November 30-December 6, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT Carol Campbell—Chair, Marlene Alvarez, Betty Bayer, Ileana Espinosa, Linda Fuchs, Randy Gilliam, Martha Havens, LouAnn Howard, Patti Revolinski, Diane Ruff

GUEST Martha Ban

MINUTES **VOTED** to approve the September 2016 Minutes.

SURVEYS Reviewed the 2016 NAD Elementary Curriculum Survey and the 2016 NAD Small Schools Survey.

VOTED to approve the use of the term “multi-grade” to refer to classrooms with three or more grades and to schools that have classrooms with three or more grades.

VOTED by consensus to develop a multi-grade microsite.

REPORT CARDS **VOTED** by consensus to revise the fine arts domains on the report card to read:

Art—Media Arts, Visual Arts

Music—Music, Drama

VOTED by consensus to have Martha Ban send an email to educators each spring highlighting report card changes for the coming school year.

VOTED by consensus to use the kindergarten report card that is on the NAD website.

VOTED to approve that report card grades for K-2 not be derived by averaging assignments during a grading period.

VOTED by consensus to videotape statements that clarify the rationale for the language arts grade and K-8 grading scales.

STANDARDS **VOTED** to recommend that the Elementary Fine Arts Standards be adopted at Level 1.

Elementary Bible Standards and Fine Arts Standards will be available in the spring.

VOTED by consensus to remove the NAD Elementary Curriculum Guides and Key Learnings from the NAD website and CIRCLE.

VOTED by consensus to post the standards by grade levels on the NAD website.

MUSIC

McGraw Hill provided an overview of Spotlight on Music. PD will consist of 4 on-site presentations which will be utilized during the 2018 national convention and 10 webinars which will highlight various components of the program.

Carol Swinyar provided an overview of the multi-grade manual for Spotlight on Music.

PILOTS

A pilot of the Spotlight on Music program is in progress which will inform the development of the multi-grade manual. Feedback will be shared when it becomes available.

VOTED by consensus to conduct a pilot during fall 2017 of the first DLG of each grade level for Pathways 2.0. Each union needs to submit 3-5 teacher names by March 1, 2017 that will include 1 single grade teacher, 1 combo grade teacher, and 1-3 multi-grade teachers. Single grade teacher assignments are as follows:

Grade 1—Lake Union

Grade 2—Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

Grade 3—Columbia Union

Grade 4—Atlantic Union

Grade 5—North Pacific Union

Grade 6—Southern Union

Grade 7—Pacific Union

Grade 8—Southwestern Union

Choice of grade—Mid-America Union

SCIENCE TEACHERS

Names of science teachers were shared that will give feedback to the ByDesign virtual lab developers.

ENCOUNTER

Names, emails, roommates, and arrival and departure dates for those participating in the lead-teacher training are due February 1. Yvonne will provide a spreadsheet for the information.

Hotel charges will be applied to a master bill; NAD will bill unions for their portions.

Tentative schedule of teacher training:

January 3-February 2, 2018—Southern Union

February 5-16, 2018—Pacific Union

February 19-March 9, 2018—North Pacific Union

March 12-April 6, 2018—Southwestern Union

April 9-20, 2018—Mid-America Union

April 30-May 11, 2018—Pacific Union

May 28-June 15, 2018—Columbia Union

Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada trainings are scheduled for April 2017.

Lake Union and Atlantic Union will work with Nina Atcheson to schedule their trainings.

VOTED by consensus to not print the Encounter units at this time. Printing will take place prior to full implementation of the program.

WEBINARS

The March 14 webinar will feature McGraw Hill’s Spotlight on Music.

The April 11 webinar will feature the multi-grade manual for Spotlight on Music as well as the NAD Elementary Fine Arts Standards.

LEARNING A-Z

Webinars are available from Learning A-Z.

**CURRICULUM
TIMELINE**

Subject	Summer Committee	Implementation	PD Inservice
Social Studies	2015-2016	2016-2017	Spring 2016
Physical Education	2015-2016	2016-2017	Feb 2016 Webinar
Art	2016-2017	TBD	TBD
Music	2016-2017	2017-2018	Spring 2017 Webinar
Bible	Ongoing	2018-2019	Spring 2017— (Trainers) Spring 2018— (Teachers)
Pathways	Ongoing	2019-2020	Spring 2019
Math	2019-2020	2020-2021	Spring 2020
Science	2019-2022	TBD	TBD
Technology	2021-2022	2022-2023	Spring 2022 Webinar

**SUMMER
COMMITTEES**

BRIDGE—three weeks
Pathways—three weeks
Technology—second week
Bible—third week
Multi-grade—third week

The following unions will submit names for the multi-grade committee by March 1:

Columbia Union—Teacher of grades 1-4
Southwestern Union—Teacher of grades 5-8
Mid-America Union—Teacher of grades 1-8

PACIFIC UNION

Martha Havens will share links to standards resources.

**TEACHER AND
LEADERSHIP
STANDARDS**

No additional feedback was provided for the standards.

**STANDARDS-
BASED GRADING**

Discussed the need for dedicated and extended time for further exploration of the topic.

IOWA/CogAT

Reviewed 2016 IOWA/CogAT scores. Noted that math scores for grades 3-5 are below the 50th percentile.

Martha Ban discussed error reports. Will request instruction info from Riverside to include with next administration of the IOWA.

SCHOOL VISIT

Visited the NOLA Micro School.

NEXT MEETING

VOTED by consensus to meet Nov. 1-3, 2017 in Columbia, MD.