Flagstaff Montessori Sexual Health Committee

Address: 850 N Locust St. Flagstaff, Arizona 86001 Date: Thursday, January 19th, 2023 at 3:30pm Location: Conference Room

MINUTES

Dated and posted January 20th, 2023 at 1:00pm

1. Call to Order

3:35pm

2. Roll Call of Members

Present:
Mark Gallo
Stephanie Adams
Jana Bowditch
Leslie Littlefield
Jennifer Haremeza

Facilitating Non-Member-Whitney Owens

3. Approval of minutes from 1/4/23 meeting

The committee will review minutes from last meeting Discussion and possible action Motion to approve 1/4/23 Minutes: Jana Second Leslie

Vote: Unanimous approval

4. Presentation of Public Comments

Whitney Owens will share public comments received Presentation and discussion *No public comments*

5. Review of OWL Curriculum

The committee will discuss the OWL curriculum, and decide whether or not to put the curriculum up for a 60-day review, and possibly recommend the curriculum to the Governing Board Presentation, discussion, and possible action

The curriculum is a good curriculum

Concern is that the curriculum comes from a faith based organization even though it is stated that it could be secular

Another concern is that teachers would need to facilitate the curriculum.

Experience with the county curriculum shows student engagement and retention of information Could we put the OWL curriculum forward to public for other resources families can access

Other Resources to potentially share with families: American Girl Owl curriculum Amaze.org

6. Review of Additional Curriculum Options

The committee will discuss other potential curriculum options, and decide whether or not to put the curriculum(s) up for a 60-day review, and possibly recommend the curriculum(s) to the Governing Board

Presentation, discussion, and possible action

No additional curriculum resources

7. Review County Sexual Health and Hygiene Curriculums

The committee will discuss the county curriculums and decide whether or not to recommend the curriculums to the Governing Board

Presentation, discussion, and possible action

Jana: Motion to recommend the county curriculums to the board for approval

Stephanie:second

Vote: Unanimous in favor of recommending the county curriculums to the board

Discussion:

Liked how the curriculum is presented and have talked to other families who have had children go through the curriculum and with Sydney had positive feedback
Students felt safe

Mark has always had a positive experience with the curriculum and Sydney
The gender inclusive, and anatomically correct language is so important
Sydney is comfortable with the language which helps students feel comfortable
Sydney is good at communicating and working with families who may have concerns

It will be important to have a parent meeting so Sydney can answer any questions

8. Timeline for Advisory Committee and Adoption

Whitney Owens to present potential timeline for the committee Presentation and discussion

Presentation of the timeline. No additions or adjustments needed

9. Date and Time for Next Meeting

Wait to see if the board requests another meeting

10. Public Comment (3 mins per/person, total of 30 mins time allotment)

Adjournment

Adjournment at 4:08pm