

**NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE  
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

**Ridgefield WA  
January 24-25, 2017**

**Joint Session**

**PRESENT**

Dennis Plubell, Chair; Patti Revolinski, Vice-Chair; Keith Waters, Vice-Chair; Debbie Hendrickson, Recording Secretary.

**Elementary:** Carisa Carr, Sheri Crooker, Sueal Cunningham, Angela Fleck, Archie Harris (for Larry Marsh); Stewart Lewis, Jordan Lindsay, Becky Meharry, Ric Peinado, Rod Rau, Laura Springer, Rochelle Stanton, Nancy Stinson, Joy Veverka, Crysti Wallace, Michelle Wachter, Angela White.

**Secondary:** Ann Campbell, David Davies, Todd Driver, Caryn Earl, Peter Fackenthall, Aubrey Fautheree, Monte Fischer, Heather Fredrickson, Stephanie Gates, Kirk Haley, Linda Haley, Matt Jones, Florence Lacey, Michael Lee, Dale Milam, Karen Murcia, Debbie Muthersbaugh, Mechelle Peinado, Trina Sandvik, Mary Sperl, Cynthia Ward, Keith Wells.

**GUESTS**

Nina Vallado, Steve Vistaunet.

**WORSHIP**

**Tuesday:** Michelle Wachter

**Wednesday:** Nina Vallado w/ Steve Vistaunet

***MAKER SPACE***

Karen Murcia, VP at Puget Sound Adventist Academy, shared a presentation on MakerSpace – how to start; how it is used; tips for success, etc.

**SPECIAL  
EDUCATION**

Neria Sebastian, professor in the WWU Education Department, made a presentation on Special Education and how it can be incorporated into our schools. He also shared news of the new WWU Education Department Masters in Special Education that will begin this summer online.

**ADVENTIST  
LEARNING  
COMMUNITY**

Adam Fenner, Director of the Adventist Learning Community (ALC) shared the vast resources available to teachers on this website. He also shared other resources: I Believe Bible & The Haystack.

**SUB COMMITTEE  
REPORTS**

**VOTED** to accept the report of the two sub-committees as outlined below:

**Secondary Discussion Points, Reports, Presentations**

- Walla Walla University Report – Dr. Henning
- Physical Genesis
- Encounter Bible report
- Dual credit/Walla Walla University
- Academy reports – STEM, PBL
- 2018 NAD Teachers’ Convention

**Elementary Discussion, Reports, Presentations:**

- *Pathways 2.0* Lori Rusek
- NAD News
  - 2017 Elementary Summer Committee Updates
  - Curriculum Timeline (*Encounter* 2018-2019; *Pathways 2.0* 2019-2020)
  - *The Box* – EGW Estate, concept is a K-12 scope
- *Encounter* Joy Veverka and Jordan Lindsay; Debbie Hendrickson, Ginger-Ketting-Weller Classes
- Standards Based Grading an Reporting
- *By Design Labs* Fred Armstrong (virtual labs); Dan Wyrick (demo labs)
- *Cobblestones* – Golda Pflugrad

**ELEMENTARY  
AD HOC  
STANDARDS  
COMMITTEE**

**Voted** to recommend to the NPUC Education Council that an elementary committee (7-9 members) be appointed to build an understanding of various curriculum designs (i.e., project-based learning, maker space) and create documents/materials that will support conferences and schools in their curriculum endeavors.

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Dennis Plubell

**ADJOURN**

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**Secondary Section  
Minutes**

<b>PRESENT</b>	Keith Waters - Chairperson, Ann Campbell, David Davies, Todd Driver, Caryn Earl, Peter Fackenthall, Aubrey Fautheree, Monte Fischer, Heather Fredrickson, Stephanie Gates, Kirk Haley, Linda Haley, Matt Jones, Florence Lacey, Michael Lee, Dale Milam, Karen Murcia, Debbie Muthersbaugh, Mechelle Peinado, Trina Sandvik, Mary Sperl, Cynthia Ward, Keith Wells.
<b>GUESTS</b>	Matt Jones
<b>MINUTES</b>	<b>VOTED</b> to approve the 2017 minutes.
<b>ACADEMY CURRICULUM REPORTS</b>	Curriculum reports were given by the senior academies emphasizing PBL an STEM.
<b>WALLA WALLA UNIVERSITY REPORT</b>	Dr. Henning presented highlights of student retention and graduation rates.
<b>ENCOUNTER BIBLE SERIES</b>	Grade 12 will be ready for the 2018-19 school year.
<b>NAD SECONDARY TEXTBOOK UPDATE</b>	Math book selections (2018-19) are listed on the NAD website.
<b>PHYSICAL GENESIS UPDATE</b>	Report was given on PhysicalGenesis. We are in the third and final year of the project.
<b>CREATION HEALTH TEXTBOOK</b>	A brochure was presented giving the new cost for the Creation Health textbook. (\$19.99 print and \$14.99 iBook)

**NAD SUBJECT  
AREA  
CONVENTIONS**

There was discussion on subject area conventions and possible financial restraints because of NAD National Convention.

**STEM**

STEM was discussed as part of the academy reports.

**NAD TEACHER'S  
CONVENTION**

Dennis Plubell made a presentation on the NAD Teacher's Convention.

**SECONDARY  
RELIGION  
METHODS OPTION**

Debbie Hendrickson made a presentation the option to receive elementary or secondary Religion methods through La Sierra University

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**GUESTS** David Davies, Patrick Frey, Kirk Haley, Archie Harris, Lori Rusek

**PATHWAYS** Lori Rusek, teacher of grade 4 from Northwest Christian School, provided an overview of her experience with *Pathways 2.0*. She identified various areas that are part of the *Pathways 2.0* content which will strengthen the delivery of language arts as compared to the original *Pathways* program. Although the committee sees advantages of having the DLG's as online documents, it was the consensus of the committee that teachers would prefer having the option of online and hard-copy DLG's. A question was asked if the new spelling words would be part of the Spelling City program and Carol Campbell responded that yes, teachers will be able to continue using Spelling City as a resource.

The Professional Development piece for *Pathways 2.0* is in the form of an hour-long webinar. It is a conference decision when and how this webinar will be viewed. A link to the webinar will be an attachment to the minutes.

**MINUTES** The minutes of the NPUC Curriculum Committee, January 2017, were reviewed.

**ENCOUNTER BIBLE** April of 2017, twenty-three NPUC elementary teachers and conference representatives attended an *Encounter* Training Session in Ontario CA. Joy Veverka and Jordan Lindsay (classroom teachers) reported on their experiences thus far in using *Encounter*.

Debbie Hendrickson outlined the process for participating in the Ginger Ketting-Weller classes which are designed to meet the needs of teachers lacking Elementary Bible Methods.

## NAD NEWS

### **2017 Elementary Summer Committee Updates**

Five NAD Elementary committees met during June 2017. An overview of each of the following was reviewed:

- *Pathways 2.0*
- Technology
- Multi-grade
- Encounter Bible
- *BRIDGE*

### **Elementary Curriculum Timeline**

The most recent NAD Curriculum Timeline was reviewed. Any updates will appear in the *NAD Elementary Textbook List*.

**Elementary *Encounter*.** The conferences are on track with providing the professional training for Elementary Encounter ready for schools to implement in the 2018-2019 school year.

***Pathways 2.0.*** The program is to be released ready for the 2019-2020 school year. Breakouts covering aspects of *Pathways 2.0* will be included at the NAD Convention. In addition, an hour-long webinar about the program has been prepared.

### ***The Box – EGW Estate, concept***

Chantal Klingbeil, Associate Director from the Ellen G. White Estate, is creating a box of resources on Adventist Heritage. The contents will include items such as: hands on projects, story booklets, videos, cd's. K-12 lessons, teachers' manual, etc. which will be contained in a old chest looking container. The estimated cost is \$30-50 with a projected timeline for completion, August 2018.

### **Elementary Curriculum Survey- not discussed, included as a handout**

Over 300 elementary teachers responded to the NAD curriculum survey which asked for input for the 2018 NAD Teachers' Convention. The top ten suggestions for elementary breakout topics were: language arts methods, technology, multi-grade strategies, differentiation, social and emotional learning, classroom management, math methods, science methods, assessment, and curriculum planning.

### **Standards Based Grading and Reporting**

The NAD Elementary Advisory has continued the dialogue adopting a standards-based approach to teaching and learning and the impact on grading and reporting. These topics will be on the agenda for the May 2018 NAD Elementary Advisory meetings.

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**BY DESIGN LABS**

Fred Armstrong, Learning Innovation Liaison previewed the *ByDesign* virtual labs that are being developed by Loma Linda University. Although a variety of labs are currently available, presentations at the NAD Convention will reveal the latest developments relating to this project. Mr. Armstrong also mentioned that teachers are needed to review material – with a variety of remuneration dollars given for the review work. Access the virtual labs and program review process: [bydesignlabs.org](http://bydesignlabs.org).

Demo labs directly connected to *ByDesign* labs for each grade are available as on [bydesignlabs.org](http://bydesignlabs.org) or through NAD Dashboard/files/ByDesign Labs.

**COBBLESTONES**

Golda Pflugrad, ECEC Director for NPUC provided an update on the development of *Cobblestones* which is a curriculum designed for teachers of a PreK-K program. Additional information will be available at the NAD Convention in Chicago.

**ADJOURN**

*A personal note from the chair:*

*It has been a life-enriching experience to serve with this committee. I am in awe of the quality of leadership of classroom teachers and conference administrators. It is apparent that our schools are strong because of the inclusion of the Holy Spirit in the lives of committed educators. God's continued blessings on each one!*

*With gratitude, **Jatti***