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K-5 Science Review Committee Meeting Summary May 18, 2017

- Introductions and Clock Hours
Anticipated Attendees: Michael Aguilera (LR 3), Carol Best (WM Principal), Kirsten Bourke (WM 5), Chris Cocklin Ray (WM 5), Katy Gibson (WM 1), Rebecca Hedlund (IMS 6 Science), Julie Hovind (Tech TOSA), Moira Hutchinson (NW 4), Nina Kitchen (IP K), Jenny McAlaine (LR Principal), Angela McCann (LR 5), Kara Millsap (Tech TOSA), Sam Moseley (IP 2), Christy Shiers (Parent), Emily Temple (Literacy TOSA), Brigit White (IP Librarian), Meaghan Williams (IP 4) Facilitator: Jennifer Wright
- Charges of the Committee
 - Develop Curriculum Criteria - in conjunction with Next Generation Science Standards
 - Review Curricula - leading towards adoption
 - Develop Implementation Plan
- Curricula Piloting/Visit Review – members gave summaries of phone conversations and visits for the three districts contacted. Committee members also reported out on their experiences with piloting lessons from the two curricula.
 - Experiencing piloting in classrooms
 - Tahoma Visit summary (TCI)
 - White River/N Thurston conversations (STEMscopes)
- Curriculum Selection- Committee members discussed the pros and cons of each curricula. The committee selected Bring Science Alive! From TCI as the curriculum to move forward for adoption.
- Next Steps in Approval Process were discussed
 - Available for Parent Viewing – now through June 6
 - IMC – May 30, 4pm
 - Board Presentation – June 6, 7pm
- Implementation Scenarios
 - Various possible configurations were discussed, further discussion will happen with the Elementary principals regarding implementation. It is unknown at this time if there are funds for a full adoption in 2017-2018. Possible scenarios include:
 - Several classrooms at each grade level
 - K-2 or 3-5 implementation and the other grade levels the next year
 - Full implementation on 2018-2019
 - Summer Work (curriculum/pacing guides; materials management) – will be determined based on the implementation plan.
- What can the committee members tell their colleagues? Committees members can tell staff that TCI's

Bring Science Alive! was selected by the committee and is moving through the adoption process.