

North Carolina Textbook Commission Planning Meeting

Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2024, 10:00 am

Members Present: Shannon Brayboy, Susan Mills, Angela Martin, Dr. Melissa Jenkins, Matthew McLean, Karina Cameron, Alicia Ray, Kathleen Linker, Dr. Jarrod Dennis, Jodi Rae Autry, Dr. Ashton Copley, Lindsey Sise

Members Absent: Maria Bishop, Aubrey Godette, Marlena Bleau, Monica Douglas, Rikki Baldwin, Rob Orrill, William Chesher

Others Present: Deepak Sharma (NCDPI), Cynthia Taylor (NCDPI), Rachel Bramble (CUACS), Rodney O'Neal (CUACS)

Call to Order and Welcome: Commissioner Dr. Dennis called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Roll Call: Deepak Sharma did the roll call.

Reading of Ethics Statement: Commissioner Dr. Dennis read the Ethics Statement and then proceeded to the first item on the agenda. The following presentation was used to follow along the agenda items: <https://go.ncdpi.gov/TBCM32524>

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Commissioner Dr. Dennis asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 9/23/2023 and 1/29/2024 meetings. Upon motion made by Commissioner Sise, and seconded by Commissioner Dr. Copley, the commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Evaluation Platform Training: Rachel Bramble and Rodney O'Neal, representatives from the NCSU Center for Urban Affairs and Community Service, conducted a step-by-step training on the digital evaluation platform on survey.ncsu.edu/training for the 2024 Science K-12 Textbook and Evaluation Adoption. Any commissioner interested in a one-on-one training session may contact Rachel Bramble to schedule during the months of April and May.

Instructional Materials Samples: Commissioner Linker provided a step-by-step overview of the textbook evaluation process including details of the bid submission screening phases, advisor selection process, and the evaluation week timeline.

Criteria Sheets Training: Charles Aiken, Section Chief (K-12 Math, Science, and STEM) Academic Standards, Marshall Foster, Multilingual Learner/Title III Consultant (English Language Arts, and Languages), and Beverly Colwell, Education Program Consultant (Exceptional Children), provided an overview of the 2023 K-12 Science Standards and the textbook criteria sheets.

Next Steps: Deepak Sharma shared the evaluator advertisement flyer with the group which will be sent this week to social media, DPI Listserv, and the commission. A suggestion was made to create a flyer to advertise to underrepresented areas to generate interest for additional commissioners to fill the vacant spots. Commissioner Linker shared the sealed bids process open on April 16, 2024. The next meeting will be held on April 29, 2024.

Travel Paperwork information was shared by Cynthia Taylor. The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Dennis and was seconded by Commissioner Autry.