

Social Studies SFVC Minutes

Meeting Date and Time	Thursday, July 25, 2024, 4:00 PM – 5:05 PM
Committee Chair/Co-chairs	Peter Ramsey, Howard Libit
Members	Eve Case, Kishanna Brown, Matthew Wilson, Miriam Spalding, Jennifer McDonald, Tracy Oliver-Gary, Claire Blankenfeld, Raleigh Nelson, Caroline Weiss-Stiles, Jon Marketto
Today's Attendees:	Peter Ramsey, Howard Libit, Eve Case, Kishanna Brown, Matthew Wilson, Miriam Spalding, Jennifer McDonald, Tracy Oliver-Gary, Claire Blankenfeld, Raleigh Nelson, Caroline Weiss-Stiles, Jon Marketto, Monet Scruggs, Josh Otarola
Next Meeting (Day and Time)	Thursday, August 15, 2024, 4:00 PM

Meeting Notes:

- Call to Order
 - Brief introduction of members
- Roll Call and Quorum Confirmation
 - All members present, quorum established
- Approval of Agenda
 - Agenda promptly approved without objection
- Announcements and Updates
 - Adoption of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) definition of Antisemitism
 - One member had questions about varying viewpoints from members of the committee

- One member raised concern over definition of “semitic” only including Jewish people
- One member raised concern about focus on antisemitism and not other types of hate
- One member spoke on US History from WWII content topic progression, post war, and the forming of the UN and Israel
- Discussion Items
 - Description of purpose of grade level Teams (e.g., K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12) and announcement of member placement in each
 - Adoption of Action Items & Recommendation Development document
 - Review of timeline for recommendations
 - Grade level Teams meet for ~15 minutes to discuss Action Items & Recommendation Development document and recommendation ideas
- Debrief
 - Members of grade level Teams briefly shared discussion points
 - Co-chair reviewed purpose of grade level Teams’ recommendations, process, and timeline
- Next Steps
 - MSDE will create grade level Teams folder and SWOT Analysis document for each grade level
 - Grade level Teams will review frameworks and add recommendations to document
 - Grade level Teams will present findings at next SFVC meeting (8.15.24)