CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

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MAJOR POLICY: For Immediate Action (2/3 vote required)

(None)

MAJOR POLICY: Second Reading

(None)

MAJOR POLICY: First Reading

(None)

OTHER ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

(None)

REFERRALS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(None)

MATTERS PENDING

1. The committee will continue to investigate the referral from the board regarding the recommendation from the liaisons to Californians Together that CTA advocate for textbook adoption criteria for ELA/ELD that match the standards and include: foundational skills, meaning making, language development, effective expression and content knowledge.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. The State Board of Education (SBE) is requesting applications from currently practicing teachers with experience and expertise in science for appointment to the Instructional Quality Commission (IQC). ***The deadline for submittal of applications is 5:00 p.m., November 15, 2013.*** Applications can be found at http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/cc/ab/index.asp.

2. The California Department of Education (CDE) is recruiting members for four focus groups across California to solicit input on the revision of the Science Framework for California

Public Schools Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve (Science Framework). Applications can be found at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/sc/cf/.

3. Members of the committee shared the resource www.sharemylesson.com. This website has common core lessons that can be downloaded for use in the classroom. Teachers can also upload lessons that they have created.

4. In response to a referral from the Board regarding the Next Generation Science Standards as they apply the to the middle grades, the curricular issues subcommittee met with Sheila Whitely, CTA Liaison to the State Board of Education, and provided the feedback she was seeking.

5. Members of the committee attended the presentation on the Californians Together Tool Kit and reported out to the committee on the presentation.

6. Mary Rose Ortega encouraged members to complete the Teacher Evaluation Workgroup Survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/TeacherEvaluationWorkgroupSurvey.com. She also reminded people to sign up for the QEIA Summit, November 7th in Sacramento.

7. The committee selected the following subcommittee chairs:

Legislation	Nancy Fine
Curricular Content	Vickie Shoenhair
Student Related Issues	Tracey Coelho-Gonzales
Methodology	Julianne Nielsen and Tracy Ellis-Weit

8. The committee sent a representative to the Alternative to Suspension and Expulsion Presentation.