Attendees:
Region 2: Gunner Guttormsen - Kelso, Longview
Region 3: Eric Nerison - Kalama, Castle Rock, Toutle Lake and Woodland
Region 4: Chris Griffith - Ridgefield, Green Mountain, Hockinson and La Center
Region 7: Rhonda Rogers - Private and at-large districts
ESD 112: Mike Nerland, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
ESD 112: Kathy Whitlock, Executive Director of Student & School Success
ESD 112: Vickei Hrdina, Director of Career Readiness & STEM Initiatives
ESD 112: Pranjali Upadhyay, Integrated Curriculum Coordinator
ESD 112: Stacy Meyer, Regional Science Coordinator

Unable to Attend:
Region 1: Derek Jaques - Camas, Washougal
Region 5: Crystal Lanz - White Salmon, Centerville, Glenwood, Klickitat, Lyle, Trout Lake, Roosevelt

Agenda Items

Storyline Update
There are two new Elementary units available, “Weather and Climate” for Kindergarten and “Beyond Weather and Climate” for third grade. Each of these units also have a webinar available that will walk teachers step-by-step through the unit and how to use it. All the elementary units and training videos are available on the STEM Materials website.

Summer Science Explore-a-thon
Pranjali Upadhyay and Stacy Meyer have been working on re-launching the Summer Science training event this year. They are planning on holding the “Summer Science Explore-a-thon” August 9th, 10th, & 11th at ESD 112. Pranjali & Stacy are inviting all K-5 teachers to a hands-on, deep dive into each kit as well as receive coaching and tips and tricks on using the kits.

Changes to fee Structure
Over the last several months, our SMC team has been collecting information from teachers on their science kits, professional learning needs and other supports for elementary science.

As a result of this input, we are proposing a change to the current Tiered Pricing for kits and professional development. The existing model, adopted in 2017-18, is linked HERE. Proposed changes are below.
• Eliminate Tier 0 and Tier 3
• Changes to Tier 1 (a la carte kits)
  ○ Increase per kit charge to $225/kit
  ○ No Charge for Storyline training or Computer Science Loan program

• Changes to Tier 2 - ‘Becomes Standard Contract’
  ○ Increase kit charges to $550/teacher
   - Covers COLA and transportation
   - Allows for Temporary kit assemblers during busy transitions
   - Kit updates and materials purchases to better align kit to storyline
  ○ No Charge for Storyline training or Computer Science Loan program
  ○ Free registration for Summer STEM professional development
  ○ Science Leadership Network [Grade Level Science Learning Communities] is included for member districts
  ○ Grade-level training for teams that want to focus on specific components of storyline implementation

Eric Nerison motioned to adopt the new fee structure; Rhonda Rogers seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

2022-23 Budget Forecast
It is projected the total expenses for the SMC for 22-23 will be about $310,581. This includes Staff Salaries & Benefits, Temp Assemblers, Restocking Materials, Kit Delivery Service, Warehouse Space, and Indirects. The current projected district member contributions with the newly adopted fee structure is about $325,565.00 which would leave around $14,984.00 left over.