AP Statistics Textbook Adoption

Committee Members and Recommendation

April 19, 2017

Textbook Selection: BFW Practice of Statistics

Committee Commendations:

- Peter: Free response questions are also provided as frappy (free response for AP yay)
- Frappy questions are located in the 'planning before the chapter' area of the book. They are AP questions from previous years.
- Rubrics are provided
- Recommended calculator TI 84 (not 83)
- Objectives more concise, easier to understand
- Better with more spiraling support is woven into everyday through homework
- Provides videos for introduction to the chapter, videos for some activities, and references applets that go along with the text

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Program Component Review

District Summary

AP Statistics Text Selection

Texts reviewed & schedule:

Statistics: Learning from Data/ Peck, Olsen / Cengage Learning (2014)

The Practice of Statistics / Starnes, Tabor, Yates, Moore / BFW Freeman (2014)

Each section/criterion voted by majority and consensus discussion by each of the four teachers on the selection committee.

PILOT SCHEDULE

Publisher: Cengage

Oct 31 - Jan 13 (6 weeks)

Jan 16-27 (2 week reflection)

Publisher: BFW

Jan 30 - March 10 (6 weeks)

March 13-24 (2 week reflection & selection

April 19 Selection

CONTENT, INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM, ASSESSMENT

Pilot Focuses:

- 1. Investigative Activities
- 2. Student Engagement in Math and Statistical Practice
- 3. AP Style Multiple Choice Support
- 4. Concept Review (spiraling)
- 5. Technology Support for Students
- 6. Technology Support for Teacher
- 7. Depth of Content Support (conversational vs. pedagogical)

Cengage	BFW		
Pros			
 Writing a big step up (+ and -), more formal, more mathematical feel, more abstract (Chris) Book provides lots of details, good self- 	 Especially supportive for hypothesis testing Front loads with a four step process of: state, plan, do, and conclude prior to 		

learning tool especially for second language students, second language students have said they feel supported and this is a good book to learn from. Improved reading comprehension (Roland)

- AP practice, open ended good (Roland)
- Like the examples, detailed with good explainations (Peter)
- Is there a new addition that is more relevant with the data? The publishers attempt to stay up to date with data causes the material be become out of date faster. (Peter)
- Appendix is helpful, in current adopted text similar information is provided in the section where information is introduced (+ and -) (Roland)
- Chunking of material is better, smaller pieces (Chris)
- There are three sections that do a good job of preparing students for sampling distribution, which is where the next pilot will begin.
- Liked the power points (Roland)
- Think, show, share problems (Peter)

- hypothesis testing
- Check for understanding
- Examples
- 4 steps: state, plan, do, and conclude
- HW problems
- Review is extensive, very desirable
- AP Style Multiple Choice Support
 - Really good:
 - 4 each sect
 - 20 per chapter
 - Cumulative
 - Imbedded in the HW
 - Feels like an AP prep book
 - AP tips
 - Aligns with consistent AP review
 - Review problems with the section referenced
 - If we reference AP review, this is spiraling.
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Cons

- List of objectives at the beginning of a section is very long and intimidating, current adopted book does not state objectives at all (+ and -) (Chris)
- 2. Does not have error analysis problems for students to find errors. (Peter)
- Students commented on lack of vocabulary support – no vocabulary bank at the end of the chapter (Chris)
- Review that includes 'Avoid these mistakes' only at the end of some chapters (Chris)
- 5. Answers for multiple choice questions were not available (Chris)
- Teacher solution manual not aligned well, serious errors (adopted book also had problems) (Chris)
- 7. Power points have too much detail -

- Not sure if fathom is being supported at this time
- There is a general need for supplies for activities.
- Students said not all the multiple choice answers are in the book.
- Answers in the book are well detailed
- Not user friendly
- Did not invest a lot of time here due to time constraints of the AP schedule
- Not as intuitive
- A little clunky
- Trouble getting textbook set up, then a little easier for student set up
- Students did not like caution symbol off to the right side.

- would need to pare down over the summer (Peter)
- 8. Computer resources were annoying, not intuitive at all and students did not like the online resources (Peter)
- 9. Students like the book online but sometimes difficult to log in (Peter)
- Teacher provided solutions in disc format do not always align with the hard copy format (Roland)
- At times too many examples but overall an improvement over current adoption (Roland)
- 12. Resource binder only went up to chapter 7. It is a large binder yet it is incomplete for the chapters covered in the pilot. The tabs identified types of resource. In general confusing and there is a significant inconsistency in amount of material per tab. Overall, the binder was not used. (All)
- 13. Calculator help is weak.

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Preferred Text

- 1. BFW stronger
- 2. BFW students could not read Cengage text
- 3. Both had BFW better with more spiraling BFW support is woven into everyday through homework
- 4. BFW clearly provides not easy to find with Cengage
- 5. Similar but more options with Cengage if students have a non-standard software
- 6. BFW videos for introduction to the chapter, videos for some activities, and references applets that go along with the text
- 7. BFW significantly better