

Staff Development Committee

Meeting Minutes 12-08-2014

The Committee

Melissa Bahr, Lisa Bollinger, Amy Eklund, Terri Forseth, Dave Gooch, Roxanne Hartje, Drew Hildenbrand, Meredith Kehoe, Rich Morehouse, Kathy Palm, Stephen Pflieger, Mary Jo Sorenson, Lisa Vind, Janine Wahl, Keven Waller, Diane Whalen

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

District Updates - Kathy Palm

Staff Development Funds: Committee members each received a current balance sheet. Funds are available, but Kelly Services is lacking for substitute teachers – even though their pay increased last year to meet competitive districts’ wages. The Middle School turned over \$5,000 for the principal to use, providing it meets Middle School goals. Some schools have small groups going and are encouraging staff to use the available funds.

Teacher Mentorship Committee: The committee discussed whether a teacher mentorship committee should be formed, as new teachers are receiving little support. Should the district provide a staff development grant? It is a good idea to survey current new teachers to establish the need.

Activity Grant Applications Review

Two grants were up for review this session for which funding was approved.

1	Number Worlds Math Intervention Training for Ele. Teachers and Paras	\$2,889.60
2	Advanced Guided Reading Training	\$5,359.05

Adjournment

5:00 p.m.