

Staff Development Committee

Meeting Minutes 02-23-2015

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 3:30 p.m.

District Updates - Kathy Palm

Staff Development Funds:

- » Committee members each received a current balance sheet.
- » Discussion was held about whether school staff development money can be used by administration.
- » People are taking advantage of the professional development budget more often.
- » Staff need to be careful when requesting subs because there has been miscoding on the requests.
- » The district is finding it difficult to secure subs which makes professional development difficult to accomplish.

Professional Development Survey:

- » The district committee will conduct a staff needs survey in May 2015. Committee will share the draft survey ideas with others and provide feedback.
- » The first reading of the 2015-2016 district academic calendar is Feb. 23, 2015. On the calendar is one half day for professional development and this will focus on school improvement.
- » The early release training is not necessarily meeting para-professional needs.

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Goals:

- » Kathy Palm did a rewording of the District Grant Goals for a more formal set to be in place for District Staff Development.
- » Do these goals cover everything? Is attendance (cultural) included as one or part of a goal? This agenda item is tabled to present and discuss with the larger group at the May 2015 meeting.

Activity Grant Applications Review

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

1	Advanced Guided Reading Training, Part 2	\$4,272.45
2	Behavior Intervention Training	\$2,776.68
3	CEU Workshops for Teachers	\$1,425.00
4	Collaborative Experience for Professionals	\$349.48
5	Google Apps for Education (GAPE) Technical Retreat	\$732.70
6	MCTM Spring Mathematics Conference	\$1,481.50
7	MCTM Spring Conference	\$402.50
8	Viewpoint Data Warehouse Training	\$3,612.00
9	Zones of Regulation	\$5,328.00
Total		\$20,380.31

Adjournment

4:45 p.m.