

DISC Meeting Notes

March 19, 2010

Members Present: Deb Kohlwey, Barb Callahan, Vicky Borger, Andrew Christianson, Lesa Herms, Jane Folbrecht, Kate Gensing, Karen Frey, Jackie Schmitt, Jenifer Hedrick

A. Professional Development

a. Update of Semester 2 activities

- Update on hours came out from Barb on March 18.
- People are encouraged to be proactive about different PD opportunities (Email “all” for information, create individual proposals, curriculum groups)
- Send potential opportunities to all@deerfield.k12.wi.us if you are opening it up to more people. There may be people in the opposite building interested in participating.

b. Early Release inquiry from Board

- Discussed the difficulty of having Early Release and 11:00 PD in the same week.
- Discussed various options regarding day of the week, time of day, and frequency.

1:30

- twice a month
- Wednesday seems best (no conflicts with extra-curriculars)
- Lunch
- Childcare issues – afterschool program
- Interarts fits well with non-Early Release Wednesdays
- Unsupervised MS/HS kids
- Counts as a student day
- Flexibility to stay longer

Noon

- Once a month
- No lunch
- Longer afterschool program
- Specials schedule issues at E.S.
- Traveling staff issues (depending on chosen MS/HS schedule)
- Longer unsupervised time for MS/HS kids
- Productivity for staff?
- Counts as a student day.
- Flexibility to stay longer

Late starts

- 9:15 start at MS/HS
- 9:20 start at ES
- Lunch
- Childcare issues – before school program
- Unsupervised older kids in the morning (would they sleep in?)
- Day of the week? M/F might not work well.
- Need to end meeting promptly for school start (especially when staff is meeting in the opposite building)
- Need to come by 7:30 (what about 7:45 start time people?)
- Counts as a student day

11 AM Start

- Once a month
- Lunch?
- Longer morning program
- Specials schedule issues
- Traveling staff issues
- Longer unsupervised time for older kids

B. District Objectives

- a. Communications
 - Website Focus Group meeting on April 7 @ 6pm at MS/HS
 - Goals include better teacher pages, more possibilities, and easier to update.
- b. Character Education/Citizenship
 - Teacher survey will be submitted to teams, due on April 15.
- c. Curriculum Mapping
 - Michelle will share BYOC with building curriculum committees
 - Summer academy (PD hours for BYOC)

C. Student Achievement

- a. Overview of Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
 - Mark Becker introduced MAP from his time in Mauston.
 - Immediate feedback
 - Another source of data.
 - Both individual data and group statistics for whole group instructional purposes.
 - Computerized
 - Developing K-1 program, but currently operates grades 2-8.

- b. Core Standards – NGA
 - K-12 Standards in English/Language Arts and Math
 - Thorough and detailed

- c. Technology in the classroom
 - Feedback is needed regarding what needs exist if there are additional funds.
 - Wireless possibilities?

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 13, 3:15-5:00pm in the District Office.