

Professional Development Committee (Agenda)

October 24th, 2019

Attending: Lesley D, Shealyn M, Audrey S, Kylie C, Tenaya W, Angel H, Leslie M, Jacquelyn H, and David P

MINUTES

- Review MDSO PD policy / Learning Forward Standards

The team reviewed Policy 5339 Professional Development – Certified Staff with the Exhibit that includes the Learning Forward Standards for Professional Development.

- August TTD PMI / October 4th building days
- PD National Conference Attendance
- PD Framework and future PD

1. McCall-Donnelly August / October PD

- Takeaways:
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 - 3.

Kylie discussed the session on differentiation that was led by Kim A, Sara C, Andy C, and centered on GT, EL, and Sped. The presenters focused best practices in regards to differentiation for our special populations. Secondary teachers stated that the session was valuable and would have appreciated more time on the topic. The elementary and middle school teachers found the training on the HMH (Into Reading and Into Literature) reading programs informative and helpful. Elementary teachers received follow up training on October 4th and follow up coaching is scheduled for November 18th.

2. Professional Development Long Range Plan

The committee discussed the conference attendance schedule that we submitted to the board last year. The schedule, which was originally designed to provide the school board with a long-range plan for national and tech conference attendance. The PD team designed the schedule to align with the state's adoption cycle. With the current design, the schedule limits the amount of professional development opportunities for staff members. The committee brainstormed different ideas for a caveat that would open up possibilities for regional conferences and provide opportunities for different groups (ie special education) to attend conferences. Shealyn recommended that we reference regional trainings in the statement. David will create a draft statement and send it to members of the committee for feedback.

3. PD Framework:

The committee spent time working within buildings to revise / edit the current district PD Framework. The current three-year plan expires in 2020 and one objective of the committee is to create an updated three-year plan (2020-2023) that will be located on the MDSO website. The members will take the framework. The team also discussed different ways that we could be supportive to teachers who are seeking PD opportunities. One suggestion would be to host a PD fair at the start of the year in which we make resources / training opportunities known to teachers. As well, we could make the MDSO website a 'go to' location for teachers who are seeking additional training opportunities.

Upcoming Training

- a. November 18th Into Reading Coaching (DES / BMES)
- b. January 17th Into Reading Coaching (DES / BMES)
- c. March 13th Into Reading Coaching (DES / BMES)
- d. May 15th Into Reading Coaching (DES / BMES)
- e. Idaho Core