

MINUTES FOR CSC MEETING
Tuesday, December 16, 2014
4:30-6:30 p.m. Denison Library

Roles: Facilitator – Nathan Timekeeper - Lisa Secretary – Ana

CSC Members Present:

Ana Petersen, Lisa McGrath, Katy Mattis, Elisa Bowers, Jolien Haro, Nathan Karet, Linda Engelhart, Christy Berger, Kelsey Larson

Guests: Lynn Roberts, Ami Pickering,

Extended Learning Time:

Three slides put together by Katy were presented to the group. The first slide showcased the survey results of parents and staff. Numbers showed that adding 15 minutes to the current school day for the next school year is the preferred option. The actual numerical tallies of the survey were clearly displayed. The second slide had financial data regarding Denison's funds. This slide pointed out where we might fall short in the future and the consequences involved. The third slide compared and contrasted possible scenarios that would result with a No Change option and an Adding 15 Minutes option.

Denison was given \$96K with specific allocations for the 2014/2015 school year. The Literacy Interventionist's salary was guaranteed for two years from the School Improvement Grant. After the two year mark, Denison needs to be able to fund that position. Denison will not be receiving \$74,095 from Title 1 or \$16,116 from Parent Involvement.

The impact of a No Change option, or an Adding 15 Minutes option, will not be known until February 1, 2015. Denison will be awarded funding at that time, but the amount is unknown.

With the No Change option, Denison needs to make up for the \$74K and could possibly face losing the Literacy Interventionist position. Staffing reduction amongst the paras and specialists might have to take place. There is a chance the Literacy Interventionist position might be funded by Budget Assistance.

With the Adding 15 Minutes option, there is potential for gain, but also requires a leap of faith.

Consensus:

Kary proposed for the CSC to come to a consensus.

- Nathan- torn but leaning towards NO
- Lisa- torn, but rather go forward
- Kelsey- leaning towards a change

- Linda- disappointed at survey outcome, sticking with No Change due to feedback from primary teachers
- Katy- in order to avoid ribbing, in favor
- Ana- change, in line with survey results
- Christy- change, here for the children
- Jolien- concerned about sustainability
- Elisa- change

Elisa presented the group with the question, "Can the dissenters live with the decision that consensus is going?". Due to the committee being unable to come to a consensus, Katy stated that she will have to meet with Carolyn and make the final decision.