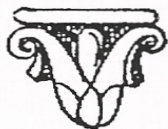


The Professional Committee



ProCom is a joint committee of
The Millard Public Schools and
The Millard Education Association



The PROCOM meeting was on March 5, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at ESU #3.

DISTRICT: Keith Lutz, Angelo Passarelli, Jon Lopez, Ken Fossen, Lori Jasa, Andy DeFreece, Kim Saum-Mills, Craig Whaley, Kirby Eltiste, Chad Meisgeier, Jim Sutfin, Curtis Case

MEA: Molly Erickson, Tyler Berzina, Mike Foyt, Matt Heys, Jennifer Moylan, Paul Schulte, Reynee Shanahan, Erin Shirmang-Ward, Mike Wiesen, NSEA UniServ

1. Nurses

No questions or concerns were voiced.

2. Day 194

Day 194 is used for staff development. It is not a specific date on the calendar so it can be flexible. There are a number of dates and classes offered. The district has opened up more dates for new teachers. There are more offerings on August 1st because of more need for elementary teachers. There is a place on the intranet where staff can give suggestions for 09-10 on what they would like offered. It needs to be something that is productive for staff development time that relates to the Strategic Plan. PLC's will continue as an option.

3. Action Teams at buildings

It is not required for staff to participate in an Action Team. It is the hope of the district that staff will want to participate in the decision-making. It was discussed that many teachers would like to be involved but they are unable to stay late for meetings. It was noted that since it isn't something that is required a teacher can leave the meetings at any time.

4. PLP's at High School

It is a graduation requirement. It should be a collaborative process. Mentoring is done in homeroom with seniors to freshman. The recording process happens in homeroom. The students are held accountable in all of the high schools. PLP's should be authentic. PLP's may fit into the classroom but it is part of the counseling curriculum.

5. Additional Item: Fall Workshop

Kim Saum-Mills discussed ideas on how to notify teachers about the fall workshop. The information could be posted on the Millard website instead of sending each returning staff member a manila envelope over the summer. Staff could check the website for information. An email could be sent to staff regarding the change before school ends. The district would still need to send letters to new staff. This letter would include the web address needed to register. The district is exploring possible ways to do this.

6. Future Items

- a. Wireless access for students
- b. President's Day – Staff development for retirees

ProCom adjourned at 2:15 p.m. The next ProCom will meet on May 19th at ESU#3.