

Linn-Mar Teacher Quality Committee

August 10, 2007
8:00-10:00
ESC Board Room

**2007-08 Staff
Development Days**
August 16 (Thursday)
October 22
January 21
February 18
April 7
May 5

Carol O'Donnell Jeanne Turner Jackie Wellborn
 Dirk Halupnik Erica Rausch Katie Mulholland

Agenda

1. Review of 6/27 meeting
 - Discussion
 - Accomplishments

2. Discussion of Committee Responsibility : *"Monitor the professional development in each attendance center to ensure that the professional development needs meets the district, attendance center and individual professional development plans."*
 - How
 - What
 - Frequency
 - Purpose

Discussion Information: * *continued from 6/27*

[Professional Learning Communities \(DuFour\) - Dr. McCoy](#)

Diana Zrudsky and Marc McCoy joined the committee at 8:30. Marc reviewed the concept of Professional Learning Communities beginning with the SMART goal concept and format. He shared formats from Rick DuFour's company, Solution Tree. The emphasis was to take DuFour's PLC information, concepts, and systems and 'personalize' it to district needs. The PLC workshops were good examples of engaging staff development. Recognition of students, staff, teams was one of the important workshop concepts. The plan at Excelsior is to do an overview. Excelsior will 'wade' into the SMART goal system. Another concept, Homework Lunch, will be an interventional learning strategy in which teams work with counselors to help students complete their work during this specified time period.

Journals from grade level groups during 2006-07 –

Teachers: Design a format for the journal – consistency across levels, summary sheet (one page)

Principals/Buildings: BIP format is same; Summary sheet is same for all schools

For the August 16 professional development day, the questions and format used last year will be sent to all of the schools. The theme of the day is to review and analyze student data for learning goals. An additional question might be: What else do I need to know or learn?

3. Review Progress of Professional Growth System Committee
 - Share Criteria Log, required artifacts
 - Develop listing of 277 requirements for the PGS Committee
 - "Monitor the district teacher evaluation requirements to ensure they are "conducted in a fair and consistent manner throughout the school district. In addition to any negotiated evaluation procedures, develop model evidence for the Iowa Teaching Standards and Criteria."*

4. August 13th Training

- Who is going? [Everyone](#)
- What questions do we have? [Transportation from ESC for those who can.](#)

5. Future Meetings and Meeting Agendas

[September 5th, 3:30-5:00 p.m.](#)

[Review information from August PDD](#)

[Debrief on DE Training of 8/13](#)

[Adjourned at 10:00](#)