



PROGRAM SERVICES MINUTES

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Thursday, February 11, 2021, 4:15pm
Mrs. Sterna's Room

In Attendance: Stephanie Smitley, Kelsey Carlson, Melanie Jiskra, Diane Sterna, Marilyn Torvik, Barry Gross, Julie Martini

- I. Review changes to Policy 504.5 Face Coverings – MSBA came out with a new policy for face coverings. The committee “Aspenized” the updated policy by changing superintendent to director and adding language referring to the type of masks allowed (not distracting or inappropriate) in section V. E. Stephanie will get the updated policy to the board for approval.
- II. Review 2021-2022 School Calendar – There were 2 school calendar options, before Labor Day start and after Labor Day start. 4 teachers sent responses – 1 for before, 1 for after and 2 regarding conference days. The committee chose to start before Labor Day with an earlier out in June. There was discussion around the February conference days, teachers would prefer a half day and full day of conferences since the days are long when conferences go late and they have to teach the following day. If a non-student day was used for conferences, one would need to be added. The committee looked at possibly before Thanksgiving or before Winter break. It was decided to move conferences to a Wed/Thurs half day and Friday could be the I Love to Read day. There will be 3 assessment days before school starts where students will also bring their supplies. K and 1 will start at the same time as everyone else, but the first 2 days will be half-days. There will be 3 early release days to follow the resident district.
- III. Annual review of Policy 505 Distribution of NonSchool-Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees – The committee added the word designee to section VII. D. and changed room number to name of teacher in section VII. A.1. Stephanie will get the changes to the board for approval.

Adjourned 5:45pm