Thursday May 28, 2015
Fitchburg Public Library, 5530 Lacy Road Fitchburg WI 53711
Upstairs Meeting Room



8:30 – 8:35 Welcome! President Laura Borsecnik
Handouts attached - Shakespeare in the Park - one day workshop

Bylaws and Constitution Update (Handouts Attached)

- The document is listed as a constitution but the board thinks some items should go into bylaws. The Constitution should be "Structural"
  - o one option to keep constitution more general
  - some of changes proposed/necessary
    - Our Name changed to GDCALN
    - Our Structure for Board and the terms for each position
    - Recommendation from board: terms for President and Vice President for two years with option for re-election one additional time
    - Clarification and updates to board roles
    - The recommendation to vote to ratify at our September meeting
    - Secretary, Treasurer and Professional Development stay as one year terms but are eligible for re-election each year (no term limit).
    - Recommendation from membership to add language in the Constitution that would reflect that the new President should have been a current or past member of the GDCALN Executive board
    - Group Discussion/Recommendations for Executive Committee Revisions over the summer
      - Recommendation that the President and Vice President come from the current board Thumbs up all!
      - For the future constitution, the vice president does not need role into the President position - Thumbs up and one thumb down.
      - Recommendation is for the President, Vice President, for two year term - thumbs up all

- Recommendation is for President and Vice President to be elected for one additional consecutive term - all thumbs up!
- Discussion around the question- Should we have a Vice President at all? Or should we assign these duties to the Professional Development Chair or a different board member?
  - O Should we have a Vice President? all thumbs up.
  - Other questions to consider Does the Vice President need additional duties and responsibilities?
  - o Should the Vice President be President elect?
- Subcommittee will meet this summer and will bring back recommendations in September - Members: Laura Borsecnik, Amy Miller, Kitty VerKuilen, Kristy Champion, Kathy Enstad,

# **Election of Officers**

- Professional Development- Lucia Rowley- elected for second term
- Vice President- Kathy Enstad Nominated by Amy Miller, second by Kitty VerKuilen Elected by the membership for a first term
- President- Laura Borsecnik Elected for second term
- Kitty made a motion to retain current officers Treasurer, Secretary and Professional Development. All re-elected
- Secretary- Amy Miller- elected for second term
- Treasurer- Kristy Champion- elected for 4th or 6th?? term :)

# September meeting date

- The group decided on Tuesday September 22, 2015
- Discussion was to have district registration in September and Student Program Registration will open in October with registrations are due November 1st.
  - Question from group Can a follow up list of student program registration be sent to the group.
- Recommendation was to mail a larger postcard in late August/Early September with student programs, website and registration dates
- At first meeting Kristy Champion will have a 2014-15 summary for each district showing past participation in student programs

# End-of-Year Program Updates and Survey

- Math 24- Rebecca Vonesch shared that we may have a \$200 fee per room for Math 24. (We currently use 6 rooms and may be able to cut costs to \$5)
  - Proposed Dates
    - o March 2 North Meet
    - o March 10- South Meet
    - O April 14 Make up Date if needed
- Yahara Date for Yahara event at Union South May 4th, 2016; NEW for 2015-16 Let all districts register for up to 10 per category (Remove the allotment for districts) Ruth Frawley will meet with Kristy Champion and share new changes at our September meeting.

- Ruth has extra anthologies available for \$10. Email Ruth Frawley to order anthologies. rfrawley@mcpasd.k12.wi.us
- Math Meet- For 2015-16, looking at a new scoring document/database similar to Math 24 database. Laura will be sending out a survey to evaluate dates for next year.
- Haiku Carole shared program from 25th anniversary; The booklet will be placed on the webpage
- NEW PROGRAM idea Sharon Daly presented the idea for a new Middle School student workshop facilitated by Noah Phillips on writing and visual illustrating. (Noah Phillips was the Keynote at Yahara this year.) Members in attendance asked Sharon to continue to develop the program idea and to share at the September meeting.
- College Matters October 20th, 2015 at the Pyle Center (for high school juniors)
   Watch for updates/registration information from Sharon Daly

# Thank you from Greater Dane Advanced Learner Network -

**Serving us for more than 5 years-** these members received a plant and a balloon as a thank you from the Greater Dane ALN for their support of advanced learners in Greater Dane County. Thank you for all of us! :)

Kitty VerKuilen - Math Meet

Ruth Frawley- Yahara

Lisa Nyenhuis - Math Mega Meet

**Sharon Daly-College Matters** 

Kristy Champion- Treasurer

Carole Mason- Haiku

Mary Kennedy-Fine Arts Week

Rebecca Vonesch- WCATY

Scott Peters- UW Whitewater

Pam Clinkenbeard- UW Whitewater

Nancy Blake-UW Madison

# Parent University report out- Kathy Enstad, Amy Miller and Kitty VerKuilen

- 124 parents attended the first event
- Held March 21st at American Family Training Center
- Parents very interested in topics and requested more opportunities like this one in the future
- Breakout sessions timely
- Facility worked well and evening worked well
- Parents liked the raffles
- A question from the membership Should books be available to buy books at the event? - Lori Rahalla offered that WTAG has a resource of books to sell that could possibly be sold at the event. We would need to check with American Family for permission.
- Parents would like Parent University offered once per semester

# **BREAK**

# Organization Updates:

• WCATY (Rebecca Vonesh)

# 2015-16 WCATY Online Academy Calendar

- August 24: Registration opens for all school year experiences
- Project A Fall Missions: Oct. 5th-Oct. 30th (4-Week, Tier 2 Intervention)
- September 28: Registration deadline
- September 30: Login information emailed to families & schools
- October 5: Online missions begin
- October 30: Online missions end
- November 6: Reports sent to families & schools

Academy Fall Challenges: Nov. 2nd- Jan. 15th (9-Week, Tier 3 Replacement Curriculum)

- October 26: Registration deadline
- October 28: Login information emailed to schools
- November 2: Online challenges begin
- November 2-13: First face-to-face meetings scheduled (Nov 19?)
- December 4: Fall midterm comments available in grading section of School Support System
- November 30–December 11: Second face-to-face meetings scheduled (Dec 10?)
- December 21–January 3: Two week winter break
- January 4-15: Third face-to-face meetings scheduled (Jan 14?)
- January 15: Fall challenges ends
- January 22: Fall final comments available in grading section of School Support
   System

Academy Winter Challenges: Jan. 25th-March 18th (8-Week, Tier 3 Replacement Curriculum)

- January 19: Registration deadline
- January 21: Login information emailed to schools
- January 25: Winter challenges begins
- January 25-February 5: First face-to-face meetings scheduled (Jan 28?)
- February 17-March 2: Second face-to-face meetings scheduled (Feb 25?)

- February 26: Winter midterm comments available in grading section of School Support System
- March 7-18: Third face-to-face meetings scheduled (March 17?)
- March 18: Winter challenges end
- March 25: Winter final comments available in grading section of School Support System

Project A Winter Missions: Feb. 22nd-March 18th (4-Week Rtl Intervention)

- February 15: Registration deadline
- February 17: Login information emailed to families & schools
- February 22: Online missions begin
- March 18: Online missions end
- March 25: Reports sent to families & schools
- March 21-April 1: Two week spring break

Academy Spring Challenges: April 4th-June 3rd (9-Week, Tier 3 Replacement Curriculum)

- March 29: Registration deadline
- March 31: Login information emailed to schools
- April 4: Spring challenges begin
- April 4-15: First face-to-face meetings scheduled (April 7?)
- April 25-May 6: Second face-to-face meetings scheduled (May 5?)
- May 6: Spring midterm comments available in grading section of School Support System
- May 16-May 27: Third face-to-face meetings scheduled (May 26?)
- June 3: Spring challenges end
- June 9: Spring final comments available in grading section of School Support
   System

# • UW Whitewater (Scott Peters)

UW Whitewater Challenging Advanced Learners Academy- (Handout Attached)

"The Differentiation Summit" June 23rd, 2015

- When you register you will be asked what grade level or subject you teach. In the afternoon like groups will be clustered in their differentiation small group work
- Cohort News- 15+ people have registered. :) Classes will be in the afternoon after Greater Dane Meetings in 2015-16
  - You can still register (about \$3800 for all classes to complete the Teaching certification (64-014)
  - You can join the cohort at a later date if you have already taken the first course
  - Any questions contact Scott Peters <u>peterss@uww.edu</u>
- O NEXT ROUND OF GT LICENSURE COURSES BEGINS MAY 26!
- The first course in the Wisconsin gifted teacher (014) and gifted coordinator (64-014) licensure sequence (Foundations of Gifted and Talented Education, EDFOUND 781) will be offered through UW-Whitewater mostly online May 26 -- July 3. See attached flyers for more detail; please post and distribute! If you do not need or want the graduate credit, there is a possibility of enrolling in an undergraduate version for lower tuition. If you are not currently a UWW student, contact Carrie Lencho at lenchoc@uww.edu for registration information.

[Special note to Dane County area educators: this is NOT the Greater Dane County licensure cohort course. For more information about that cohort or for an application, contact Dr. Scott Petersat peterss@uww.edu.]

- o If you want to apply for the GT licensure programs please contact UW-Stevens Point at the following link.
  - http://www.uwsp.edu/cps/conted/Pages/GiftedTalented/Apply.asp
     x You do not need to apply for licensure in order to take just this summer's course (for instance, parents may wish to enroll). Note: school psychologists, school counselors, and school social workers are eligible for the gifted coordinator license (64-014) but not the gifted teacher license.
- More information on gifted and talented education at UW-Whitewater is available on our website -

http://www.uww.edu/coeps/departments/edfound/gt. Summer course and licensure information is also available at the Quality Educator Interactive (QEI) site; search under the Subject "Talented and Gifted." https://myqei.org/index.php

- Madison Gifted Community- Sue Schaar
  - o http://www.madisongiftedcommunity.org/
  - O Connecting, supporting and enriching gifted families in the Madison WI area

10:15 – 11:00 Presentation: Amy Miller (presentation is attached) Thank you Kitty VerKuilen for stepping in as secretary during this presentation.

- Growth Mindset
- You can not have a growth mindset unless you are challenged in your zone of proximal development
- Wall of rocks; visual metaphor for: gaps; layers of learning; what's on the other side? overcome the obstacles; need a foundation
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- Sayings:
- I haven't failed; Ive just found 10,000 ways that won't work
- In this classroom you will learn persistence, self regulation, trust
- Allow yourself to be a beginner. No one starts out excelling. Change Thinking.
- Taking Responsible Risks
- You haven't figured it out---yet
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- Resources:
- Mindsets in the classroom; Mary Kay Ricci
- What's math Got to do with it?: How teachers and parents can transform mathematics learning and inspire success by Jo Boaler Has a website for math lessons YouCubed.org
- We are born to learn "You Can learn Anything" video
- Your Fantastic Elastic Brain: Stretch It, Shape It by JoAnn Deak; illustrated by Sarah Ackerley
- ShapeOmetry by ThinkFun
- Energizing Brain Breaks by David Sladkey
- Smart but Scattered and Smart but Scattered for Teens
- The Third teacher: 79 Ways You Can Use Design to Transform Teaching and learning
- Coaching Students with Executive Skills Deficits
- http://www.radteach.com/ -how your brain works
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- Meet the Robinson's Failure Scene You tube
- Never Say Can't Jennifer Bricker
- Teach about the brain: Neuroplasticity video

# Advanced Learner Network

# 11:10 - 11:30 **BUSINESS MEETING**

- Call to Order- Laura Borsecnik 11:16am
- Minutes Amy Miller motion to approve Sharon Daly, second by Kitty VerKuilen, approved
- Treasurer's Report Kristy Champion is attached to the minutes
- O Motion to approve Ruth Frawley second Lucia Rowley, approved STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - GDC Professional Development Lucia Rowley
    - o Planning for 2015-16
      - Executive Function
      - Richard Cash- Advanced Differentiation
      - Jo Boaler- Growth Mindset and Math
      - Michael Clay Thompson- Vocabulary and Grammar PD
      - Creativity and Leadersip
      - Laurie Fellenz from MMSD regarding Artist in Residence Program
      - Martha Barlow- Future Problem Solving Overview

### **FUNCTION GROUPS**

- Sunshine Sharon Daly
  - O Sharon sent a thank you card to Nancy Blake for all her years of collaboration with GDCALN
- Student Services PD planning Amy Miller will report out at the September 2015 meeting

STUDENT PROGRAM GROUPS - updates in general meeting notes

- Yahara River Writers
- Math 24
- Haiku
- Math Meet
- Fine Arts Weekend
- College Matters

Noah Phillips Writing & Cartooning Workshop for Middle School - possibly Wed.
 November 18th or Friday November 20th

# **NEW BUSINESS**

• Next GDC ALN meeting: Tuesday September 22,2015

Motion to Adjourn Sharon Daly, second Kitty VerKuilen

Meeting Adjourned 11:32 am