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Present: Sara Young, Deb Nelson, Fred Iausly Others: Loren Glasbrenner, Shawn Duren_____

Agenda Item	Motion	2 nd	Discussion
Approval of Minutes	Iausly	Nelson	Meeting started at 5.03 pm
Curriculum Audit Update			Actions: The administrative team has read the audit report and looked for connections between the audit, district goals, building goals, and actions. The actions have been summarized in an "at a glance" version which was shared with the committee. Timeline: The next steps for the audit include developing priorities of where to start (which actions are most crucial). Glasbrenner discussed that teachers currently serving as representatives on the Academic Building Teams will be asked to also serve on the District Curriculum and Instruction Development Committee. Administrators will be asked for recommendations. Nelson cautioned the team to be deliberate and consider staff time. Young asked for a glossary for abbreviations if shared with the public.
Continuity of Learning and Services During 2021-22 School Year			Glasbrenner presented a paper draft of a document that is required to be filed with the Department of Public Instruction. The "Safe Return to In-School Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan" will be shared with the full board in November. No action was taken.
Professional Development			Glasbrenner discussed two elementsthe need to have a standing agenda item for more time in the school calendar for professional development and how the professional development time this year is being used. Young and Nelson each shared ideas about how other districts gain time for staff training. Iausly shared the need to communicate with the Budget/ERC committee to make sure any decisions are carefully planned together. This year the district has planned Equity Training, as well as Curriculum Documentation Around Essential Learning. A handout was provided by Glasbrenner for the Committee on the plans for the 2021-22 school year.

Technology Update			Duren shared the template for the new district website. There were questions around the interactivity and when to roll out the new version. The Committee discussed the length of time documents are housed on the site. There was extensive conversation around when, how, and what features to highlight. The Committee asked for an extended time to work on communicating to families and to take the conversion and communication steps slowly. It was also suggested that Google Analytics should be used to highlight which elements are visited more on the website.
Strategic Plan and Correlation to Committee's Work			Glasbrenner spoke to efforts to improve communication to community and families (website update), as well as updating curriculum.
Set Next Meeting Date	Iausly	Nelson	Monday, December 20, 2021, 5:00 p.m. Adjourned 6.13 pm