

KINDERGARTEN DAY STUDY COMMITTEE

On June 28, 1983, the Board of Education adopted a proposal to form a Kindergarten Day Study Committee. The committee is charged with reviewing the following:

1. Current kindergarten programs being offered in the district, including programs of varying lengths.
2. Research on the kindergarten day as it relates to learning.
3. Impact of a lengthened kindergarten day on VEEP pupils.
4. Impact of a lengthened kindergarten day on combination grades (K-1).
5. Cost of implementation of a lengthened kindergarten day--additional costs/savings.
6. Impact of a lengthened kindergarten day on facilities.
7. Assessment of staff and community support for extending the minimum kindergarten schedule.

The thirteen member committee is comprised of teachers, administrators and community representatives. The majority of members on the committee are kindergarten teachers, mutually agreed upon by the SDTA and the District. The members of the committee are:

Classroom Teachers:

Christine Camus - Cubberley
 Louis Padula - Audubon
 Julie Croom - Dailard
 Betsy Chamberlain - Field
 Joan Smith - Webster
 Diane Marshall - Oak Park

Resource Teacher

Patricia Meredith

Administrators

Jane Senour - Principal, Knox
 Myrtle Faucette - Principal, Sandburg

Community Representatives

Ninth District PTA representative
 Compensatory Education DAC representative
 Chamber of Commerce Education Committee representative

Chairperson

Beverly Foster, Area Operations Manager

Representatives from the Planning, Research and Evaluation Division, Business Services Division and Educational Services Division will serve as resource personnel to the committee without the right to vote.

Committee meetings will be held every two weeks during the period September 20th through November 15th. It is anticipated that a report will go to the Board of Education on December 1st regarding the findings and recommendations of the committee.