Pre-Conference Protocol

*Developed in the field by educators affiliated with NSRF.*

Purpose:
- To become more familiar with questions to ask at a preconference
- To become more comfortable matching protocols and situations
- To recognize that more than one protocol can be effective in any given situation

1. Presenter makes a brief presentation of the work they will be presenting to the CFG.

2. The rest of the group is broken into pairs. Each “Pair” will function as a “Coach.”

3. The Coach/pairs, after hearing the presentation, peruse the protocols and choose two they feel will work

4. The Coach/pairs also prepare a follow-up question to ask the presenter.

5. During this time the presenter is also perusing the protocols to see which one might work (the presenter can also be given a guardian angel to help choose a protocol).

6. Go around the room and have each Coach/pair ask their question.

7. Presenter answers the questions as they are asked.

8. Once all the questions have been asked and answered there are a few minutes for any other necessary clarifying questions.

9. Each Coach/pair then makes their final decision about which protocol they feel would be most appropriate and WHY.

10. Go around the coach/pairs and hear the ideas for protocols and reasons why.

11. Presenter makes the final choice which protocol he/she would like to use.