**Gallatin County Elementary School**

*“On Track for Success”*

Minutes of Elementary February 14, 2012 SBDM meeting

**Members Present:** Joe Wright, Myra Morgan, Amanda O’Connor, Kelly Ellis, Tonia Smith and Shelley Simpson

**Members Absent:** None

**Guest:** None

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M .in the Lower Elementary Conference room.
2. Opening Business
	1. Agenda approved

b. January meeting minutes were reviewed and approved

c. Good News Reports

* + 1. Gallatin County Schools is still snow day free.
		2. Each classroom is up and running on the program Ms. Scudder has created a program to promote reading centered around NCAA men’s basketball and March Madness.
		3. The new map has been a huge success amongst all the classrooms.
		4. The new playground equipment is here and installed.
1. Student Achievement
	1. Mr. Wright presented the Think Link Testing comparison of Fall and Winter student test scores. The scores were calculated on the percentage of correct answers for all students on both tests.
		1. Kindergarten showed 88% of students improving in reading and 91% students improving in math from fall to winter scores.
		2. First grade showed 91% of students improving in reading and 48% students improving in math from fall to winter scores.
		3. Second grade showed 84% of students improving in reading and 51% students improving in math from fall to winter scores. Planning
	2. The calendar for testing this spring was reviewed and discussed
2. Planning
	1. Professional development proposal for next year was discussed. The dates have yet to be set.
	2. April 15th is the election for the upcoming school year’s SDBM Committee.
3. Committee Reports
	1. Student Scheduling Committee released the calendar for setting next year’s class lists. Criterion cards are due Friday, May 11th and the final lists will be presented to Mr. Wright Monday, May 21st.
4. Review
	1. Program Review Policy for Arts and Humanities and Practical Living was reviewed and the 1st reading was passed. 2nd reading will be presented at next month’s meeting.
	2. Assessment Policy was slated for 2nd reading, yet due to revisions, 1st reading of the revised Assessment Policy was passed. 2nd reading will be presented at next month’s meeting.
5. New Business
	1. Ideas for decoration of the school to make it more upbeat for students were discussed. The areas best suited for murals, and grade appropriate murals were debated. PTSO has been in contact with various artists and is coordinating. Consensus was that PTSO would present ideas to SBDM, who would then choose the theme and locations. These will then be presented to Mrs. Perkins and Mr. Whalen for approval.

 8. Adjourned 4:35 pm