**Gallatin County Elementary School**

*“On Track for Success”*

Minutes of Elementary September 12, 2012 SBDM meeting

**Members Present:** Joe Wright, Kelly Middendorf, Tammy Walters, JoAnn McCaughan, Marty Glenn, Etelva Staverman and Shelley Simpson

**Guest:** Shonda Dunn and Kathleen Karshner

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

b. August meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

c. Good News Report

* + 1. Ms. Scudder’s reading promotion program involving the continent to continent map has been very well received by the students. It is even a hot topic amongst them at the lunchroom tables.
		2. We have had excellent participation and results with the Sumdog Math Contest.
		3. Connie Easton has transitioned into her new custodial role and is doing an excellent job building relationships with students and teachers. She goes beyond her duties daily.
1. Student Achievement
	1. 1st and 2nd grade MAP scores are postponed until the October meeting.
	2. Kindergarten Brigance scores are postponed until the October meeting.
2. Planning
	1. Problem of practice was approved.
	2. 30-60-90 Plan updates were reviewed and changes made. The 30 day assessment has been tabled until after the MAP scores are in.
3. Committee Reports
	1. Program Review Committee
		1. Ms. Karshner presented the Writing Program Review and ideas for improvement to assure A/H and PL curriculum guidelines are being met. This requires incorporation into daily classroom curriculum. They would like to have a website accessible to all; however, meanwhile they will utilize shared folders or a jump drive. This will be discussed at the next meeting on October 3.
		2. Ms. Karshner also presented information on the Draw Your Destiny program featuring a cartoonist/ motivational speaker who specialized in elementary age motivation. They would like to have the assembly in the spring. Funding will be sought from a Gallatin Steel grant with the possibility of asking PTSO for help if needed.
	2. Culture Committee reported Student of the Month will begin September 19th. Also discussions are in process with PTSO about presenting attendance rewards at the end of each nine weeks versus the end of the year.
4. New Business
	1. Council recommended Ms. McKittrich for ESS Coordinator and Ms. Harsin and Ms. McKittrich for ESS teachers. Discussion was made as to ESS timing and the selection of students based on the time ESS occurs.
	2. Council passed a first reading of The Curriculum Technology Policy.
5. Old Business
6. The nest SBDM meeting is the joint school board meeting October 22nd.
7. Adjourned 4:35 pm