**Gallatin County Elementary School**

*“On Track for Success”*

Minutes of Elementary February 13, 2013 SBDM meeting

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

**Members Absent:** None

**Guest:** Heather Gullion

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 Report

* + 1. Preschool has had an active, successful week with their flower shop activity and celebration of Chinese New Year.
		2. Students in Mrs. Rodriguez’ RTI enrichment class displayed their organizational skills and confidence with enthusiasm in their meal planning project, sharing their results by inviting some parents and staff to dine with them.
		3. The new morning drop off process has transitioned much better than anticipated. Unforeseen benefits include enhanced student readiness in the mornings and a more prompt start to classroom activities.
		4. The new computer lab, comprised of 15 computers at this point, has been a great success allowing increased use of Compass and other small group projects. It is anticipated to grow to a total of 28 computers available with the trickle of repurposed computers from the middle school.
1. Student Achievement
	1. ESS currently has six second grade students enrolled in Fast ForWord since September. These students are currently being pulled during RTI five days per week. Three of the students have completed their first program and moved on, and are doing well with the next section of Fast ForWord. Two students are making good progress on their first program and are anticipated to finish it by year’s end. One student, currently being pulled for Fast ForWord twice daily, is making progress slowly and has been referred for further testing and other assistance.
	2. Sum Dog math internet contest ran from 1/25- 1/31. Over ninety 1st and 2nd grade students answered more than 250 math problems on the internet correctly. Our school’s total correct answers placed us 45th of 892 participating schools nationwide (this includes middle and high schools as well). Mrs. Hartke’s class had 100% participation.
	3. Scholastic Reading Counts quiz points has had excellent participation.
		1. 1st grade has 93 of 149 students (62.4%) with over ten points each. One student has over 300 points and several students have over 100 points each.
		2. 2nd grade has 109 of 128 Students (85.1%) with over ten points each. One student has 450 points, two students have over 200 points, and several students have over 100 points each.
		3. Kindergarten takes their quizzes as a whole and the entire class has 106 points.
2. Committee Reports
	1. Curriculum Committee reported individual grade progress in the standards and curriculum.
		1. Kindergarten has covered 4 reading units this year. K is currently on Rhythm and Rhyme, Tell a Story, Setting of a Story and Comparing/ Contrasting. They have completed 4 math units as well and are currently working on Geometry, Number Concepts 0-10, Greater Than/ Less Than and Composing/ Decomposing Numbers. They project completing 7 units in each by year’s end.
		2. 1st grade has covered 3 reading and writing units so far. They are currently on Fiction/ Non-Fiction and Text Features. They have completed 4 math topics and are currently working on Adding Facts 02. They project completing 5 reading and writing units and 7-8 math topics by year’s end.
		3. 2nd grade has covered 4 reading and writing units so far. They are currently on Road to Freedom. They have completed 5 math topics and are currently working on Addition Through 100. They project completing 6 reading and writing units and 10 math topics by year’s end.
	2. Ad Hoc Committees.
		1. Professional Development Committee was appointed with members: O. Kremer for Kindergarten, T. Smith for 1st grade, A. Jones for 2nd grade and B. McKittrick.
		2. Student Scheduling Committee was appointed with members: M. Perkins for Kindergarten, T. Walters for 1st grade, D. Rodriguez for 2nd grade, A. Bledsoe and S. Dunn as chair person. It was determined that the committee’s responsibility would be to write a procedure to ensure anonymity and randomness in the selection of class groupings. They will then present this procedure to Mr. Wright for implementation.
3. New Business:
	1. Council approved via consensus the lower elementary recommendation of Calendar B for the 2013-2014 District Calendar.
4. Old Business
	1. Kelly Middendorf, Tammy Walters and JoAnn McCaughan volunteered to write the job descriptions for on-site and off-site chaperones.
5. Review
	1. The next meeting is as scheduled to occur on March 13th at 3:30pm.
6. Adjourned 4:43 pm