

# Sardis Elementary School

## Site-Base Meeting 3/19/15

### Members Present:

Erika Murray, Kindergarten  
Charlise Huntley, First Grade  
Dee Cochran, Second Grade  
Alexa Cameron, Third Grade  
Allison Siler, Fourth Grade  
Cheryl McBride, Fifth Grade  
Kelly Marks, Curriculum Specialist

Blair Austin, Related Arts  
Tiffany Nelson, ESL Teacher  
Natalie Patterson, EC (Speech)  
Cyndi Vanderlip, Counselor  
Theresa Benson, Principal  
Kelley Zorn, Assistant Principal  
Sandra Mullis, TA

### Agenda

1. Fundraising: The group discussed the number of fundraisers that our school sponsors each year. A discussion was had that brought up the following points:
  - a. Are there too many fundraisers that overwhelm parents?
  - b. Could we possibly hold larger scale fundraisers that provide more “bang for our bucks?”
  - c. Also consider that a large part of our fundraising is for charitable causes.
  - d. Current Fundraisers
    - i. Invest-a-Kid
    - ii. Stick it to the Principal
    - iii. Pie in the Face
    - iv. Chip’s Holiday Store
    - v. School Store
    - vi. Jump Rope for Heart
    - vii. Relay for Life
    - viii. Beads for Buddies
    - ix. Alex’s Lemonade Stand
    - x. Parents Night Out
    - xi. Hats on for a dollar
    - xii. Bingo Night
  - e. Representatives were asked to go back and discuss fundraising with their grade-level or team and discuss:
    - i. Are there new fundraisers to consider?
    - ii. Are there fundraisers we want to keep?
    - iii. How much hardship are we putting on parents?
  - f. Ideas for new fundraisers:
    - i. World’s Finest Chocolate
    - ii. Spring Fling
    - iii. Booster-thon (run)
  - g. Consider whether or not there will be buy-in and if there is enough manpower to manage and coordinate these events.
2. Duty-free Lunch Discussion – All grade levels have a process in place except fourth and fifth grades. These grade levels have chosen not to have duty-free lunch. Administration has offered to help with this as needed.

3. Planning Purchases
  - a. Table top easels will be ordered for small groups.
  - b. 2 additional Promethean boards, 2 televisions – to replace ones that are about to go out.
  - c. New sound system was ordered from Holloway's music.
4. Administrative Support
  - a. Staff is reminded to reach out to administration as well as the counselor for assistance with behavioral issues.
5. 2015-16 Schedule
  - a. Reading time will be increased
  - b. Teacher input was requested:
    - i. What worked well?
    - ii. What could be improved?
    - iii. Preferred times for teaching specific subjects?
6. Mrs. Austin – Graduate Work Project – As part of her course work for the doctoral program at Gardner Webb University, Mrs. Austin has completed a Comprehensive needs assessment for the school and is working on one for the district. As part of this project, she shared her findings and plans with the Site-Based Leadership Team. Data reviewed identified the following needs:
  - a. 2013-14 EOG scores show that the subgroup that did not make growth was the white subgroup.
  - b. The growing Hispanic group has special needs and challenges in terms of communication.
  - c. Spring Family Community Engagement Project will focus on a communication effort for Hispanic Families (working with Kindergarten teachers).
7. Team Concern- Phone System
  - a. Teachers reported phones not working consistently when with the intercom.
  - b. Teachers questioned how they should communicate with each other effectively?
  - c. How can the system be improved?
  - d. Suggestion: Try 88 then room number to call room to room.
  - e. 7437 – Vanderlip – should be able to call right in.
  - f. 7464 – Curriculum room
8. Miscellaneous:
  - a. Inventory lists are coming from Presson
  - b. PTO is taking requests for items for classrooms for teachers.
9. Next Meeting: 4/23/15