

Site Base Minutes  
Stallings Elementary  
January 25, 2012

Committee Members Present: Bill Breckenridge, Laura Gaddy, Lynn LeFlore, Lisa Kokoszczynski, Wendy Wortha, Matt Colby, Lisa Rushing, Harvey Bagshaw, Bo Mielczak, Cinda Gatrell, Donna Joye, Cliff Harrington

In Site Base we discussed the complex topic of PEP's. A grade level had several questions pertaining to this issue, such as: What warrants students needing a PEP? Is there a consistent policy/standard for what is considered below grade level? Is it making a C, D, or F? Although these are great questions, it is more of a county issue than Site Base, therefore, Mrs. Gaddy will follow up with the specific grade level to answer all their questions.

We touched base on the subject of tutoring. Older grades should leave their tutoring sessions open to who wants to come for the extra help. If a student is struggling, send them an invitation to come, because you know he/she needs that extra help. You may need to be flexible and adjust your times so a particular student can make it to a session. A parent representative noted that the earlier we tell a parent their child is struggling- the better! That way, parents can give support and help needed.

Also, it is a county policy that teachers cannot tutor at school and be paid unless there are extraordinary circumstances surrounding the situation and you have permission from Mr. Breckenridge. (Believe me...if we could, I wouldn't be working part time at Super Bilo!)

There was an inquiry on whether or not the school would purchase the Starfall.com subscription. It is \$35 for the year and Mrs. Deane would be able to obtain a ton of supplemental material/games that students can play. Mr. Breckenridge and Mrs. Gaddy are going to discuss the details and talk with Mrs. Deane before the checkbook opens.

Question from support staff- Is it okay to bring Kindles/ Nooks to school? Answer: Yes, unless they are connecting with the school's wireless system. It's the teacher's option, however, these devices can be lost, stolen, or broken. (Side note: our wireless is officially operational!)

Parent Representatives brought up the issue of shortage of buses (when one bus breaks down, another bus has to do a dual run). Mrs. Gaddy said that Bus 152 was reassigned, so there is not a consistent bus driver...yet.

Administration discussed the possibility of gaining a volunteer (Mrs. Varda!!!) once a week to make copies and laminate. This will hopefully alleviate the load of copies assistants have to make during their 30 minutes with the upper grades. As a result, assistants will be able to work more with students.

That's it! Next Site Base meeting is scheduled for February 29<sup>th</sup>.

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