## Minutes Stallings Elementary Site-Based Management Committee January 26, 2011

The site-based committee of Stallings Elementary School met on January 26, 2011 in the media center. Those in attendance were Bill Breckenridge- Principal, Laura Gaddy-Assistant Principal, Bonnie Blair – Chairperson, Lisa Kokoszczynski – Secretary, Beth Welch, Maggie Harris, Lisa Rushing, Chelsea Helms, Lynn LeFlore, Bo Mielczak, and Cathy Sumner. Parent representative included Mary Brigid Spence.

Site Base discussed Character Education. We are happy with how the new bulletin board is set up, how Mrs. Gaddy says the students' names on the broadcast, and how she comes to the classroom to personally praise the student(s). If you have any suggestions on how Character Education can be improved at Stallings Elementary please let us know!

We talked about the policy for birthday parties. As it was decided in the beginning of the year, a student cannot hand out birthday party invitations if he/she does not have enough for the entire class. Most classrooms have created a class directory. This allows the parents to have access to other parents' phone numbers, addresses, and emails.

Site Base talked about class parties and how there is always an overflow of cars in the parking lot during this time. Parking has become an issue. It ends up becoming a horrendous traffic jam where no one can get out. Mr. Breckenridge has come up with an idea where grades K-2 can have the party on one day, and 3-5 will have the party on another day. For example, the spring party would be on Friday, April 15. Grades 3-5 would have the party on Thursday April 14 and K-2 would have the party on April 15 (or vice versa). Mr. Breckenridge will decide which grades on which day at a later date. All grades will have the Valentine's Day party on February 14<sup>th</sup>.

Fourth grade brought up the field trip policy and asked what will happen next year if we still have the 1:8 ratio of adult to students if there is less staff. Although this is a Dr. Davis question, Mr. Breckenridge said that if schools are still allowed to have field trips next year that we can sign up for them and if something happens where we cannot go then we will have to cancel that specific field trip. This will be a county wide issue and Lisa Koko will ask that question for the next PAC meeting.

Random discussion: Site base talked about the snow days and how if we do have to come to school on a Saturday the hours would be 7:30am-11:15am.

There was a parent concern (not from the parent representative) about next year's Bank Days. The parent was concerned about childcare for those 5 half days. We talked about how parents were given ample time to take personal time from work or to find adequate child care. \*We will have a transportation sheet for the Bank Days telling us how the child will get home from school in the packet that is handed out in the beginning of the year.

<u>Health Fair</u>: Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm. It will be in the same format as last year. Mrs. Mielczak is trying to get guest speakers and more activities for kids. If the kids want to come...the parents will come! Closer to the date, Mrs. Mielczak will contact more teachers on how we can help.

The meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, February 23, 2011

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