

Minutes
Stallings Elementary School
Site-Based Management Committee

October 29, 2008

The site based committee of Stallings Elementary School met on October 29, 2008 in the media center. Those in attendance were Todd Humphrey: Co-Chair, PJ Theiler, Co-Chair, Stephanie Hymes: Secretary, Bill Breckenridge: Principal, Laura Gaddy: Assistant Principal and faculty and staff members, Dan Martelle, Kristen Welker, Bonnie Blair, Sonya Brickley, and Cathy Sumner; and parent representatives, Beth Diggs, Mary Brigitte Spence and Ernie Vanderwalt.

The Site-Based Committee reviewed the recycling program installed at Stallings Elementary, and how to revise it. Some teachers were concerned, and wondered whether there would be a schedule made for an ongoing recycling pick up, as the recyclable papers in their rooms were beginning to pile up and create a mess, because the town of Stallings has not been over to pick them up as originally planned for. We are hoping to arrange for follow up and get the program clarified. We were all in favor of continuing the recycling efforts by picking a location for a large bin outside.

The Site-Based Committee discussed the phone system at Stallings Elementary and the possibility of calling from room to room. The advantage being that it makes it easier for teachers and staff if the need arises, but the disadvantages if this is set up, will create technical issues dealing with voice mail capabilities both with phone and computer. We will need to look further into the nature of this subject, as it may require a vote.

The Site-Based Committee revisited Accelerated Reader (AR). We determined that all teachers should be using AR at this point, but that each teacher will determine how he/she will use it in his/her classroom. After guidelines have been established and AR is being used, teachers will reward students as they see fit. For example teachers may give homework passes or extra recess.

The Site-Based Committee discussed the issue of lunch and cafeteria music. When parents come for lunch visits, they need to adhere to the music, or respectfully mind the music, as it is part of our cafeteria rules. In addition we discussed creating a lunch duty schedule for staff.

The Site-Based Committee discussed that meetings of all nature need to be scheduled in advance and on Wednesdays, opposite staff meetings.

Mr. Breckenridge brought up having possible grade level events such as a curriculum night, and the committee agreed, suggesting that having a curriculum night in October or November in lieu of open house next school year could be a good change. We will later survey the staff to solicit their input before making a decision.

The Site-Based Committee discussed the possibility of holding faculty meetings in the mornings for the 2009-2010 school year. We will survey the staff later in the school year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, November 19.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Hymes