

**Saratoga Elementary School  
School Site Council Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 7, 2008  
3:30-5:00 School library**

***In Attendance: Teresa Conway, Kate Cottingham, Susan Jacobs, Donna Kermin, Nicolette Lanch, Heather Metz, Kelly Pruitt, Marybeth Smails, Diane Smalley, Debbie Tanguay, Debbie Willheim, Judy Wolthausen, Stephanie McConnell***

***Absent: Melanie Knight, Mike Oliver, Clint Rosenthal, Julie Tidd***

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Minutes from previous meeting approved**
- 3. Report by Stephanie McConnell on science centers**

**Stephanie presented a slide show of fourth and fifth grade science centers. The goal is to provide hands-on activities correlated to classroom studies and the state standards. She collaborates with the teachers. The program is 8 hours per week, and there is \$2000 budgeted per year for materials. Each class gets approximately 1 hour per week.**

- 4. Budget approved**
- 5. Standing Committee Reports:**

**GATE: Scott Lyon is going to a conference in Anaheim. The team is visiting classrooms to observe differentiation.**

**ELAC: Hope to have ELD teacher soon so Patty Buchanan can focus on Argonaut.**

**Spending Plan: January early release days were technology training based on individual needs. We are also planning further training at the next staff meeting to learn to back up and lock up our laptops. Many thanks to Stacy Alexander, Katey Kennedy, and Pam Roper-Kaiser for their help in training. There was a discussion about the appropriate uses of technology at different grade levels.**

- 6. Visitation Day**

**Invitations have been sent. Almost all parents are from Kindergarten. Volunteer parents will have a practice tour on the Friday before.**

## **7. Title One Update**

**Program currently serving 36 students. Second and Third, taught by Stephanie Dixon and Julie Kwok, is doing small group guided reading 2 days a week after school. Third, taught by Laurie Brandt, meets 3 days a week after school. Fourth grade, taught by Scott Lyon, working on comprehension skills and meets twice a week before school. Fifth grade, taught by Robin Cohn and Debbie Tanguay, meet twice a week after school and works on study skills.**

## **8. New positions for next year**

**There are 3 current parent members who will be going off of SSC this year, and we need to recruit new parents as well as a current member to be chairperson.**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:40**

**Notes by Susan Jacobs**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm**

**Minutes taken by Donna Kermin**