Simpson Elementary SBDM Council Minutes for August 26, 2013

The Simpson Elementary SBDM Council met on August 26, 2013 in the school's conference room. Those present included Stacy Vaughn, Celeste Jones, Bethanne Pardue, Brandi Coates, Dawn Thomas, Sherry Heath, Cindy Burk, and Joyce Pais.

The meeting was called to order by Principal, Joyce Pais. The agenda was approved by Celeste Jones with a second by Brandi Coates. Mrs. Pais read the minutes from the July meeting. The minutes were approved by Celeste Jones with a second from Cindy Burk.

Mrs. Pais gave a good news report with a great start to the school year. The school has been practicing drills and expectations and through this practice has already made a difference with the students.

Old business was discussed concerning the GT program and interventionist. Mrs. Reetzke trained Mrs. Harding to run the GT program. Mrs. Bush will be working two days a week with the program as well. Mrs. Pais discussed posting a position for part-time GT program interventionist. The hours would be 11:00-3:00 every day. They would be working with 3rd grade students between the 16th and 49th percentiles. Mrs. Pais says she has about \$9,000 allotted to pay for this position. Mrs. Pais said her goal would be to begin September 9th with the new interventionist, if at all possible. The position will be posted once approval is made by Central Office. GT Interventionist was approved by Celeste Jones with a second from Sherry Heath.

New business included approval of the safety plan for Simpson Elementary. Dawn Thomas approved the safety plan with a second from Bethanne Pardue. Cindy Burk asked about 3rd grade scores from last year's testing. Mrs. Pais advised her they will be made public the 4th week of September and the committee will be able to discuss the scores at the September meeting.

Mrs. Pais discussed the new Science core is connecting Science standards to Literacy. We need to build up the library with books on sound, motion, and other Science related topics. Money to purchase the books may have to come from the Book Fair and SBDM Book Fair. She would also be calling on PTO to make a donation for the books.

Expenditures to date were discussed with \$3,500 being paid for Renaissance AR program. \$800 is needed to purchase Brain Pop Jr.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Cindy Burk with a second from Celeste Jones.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Burk, Secretary