

**Ketterlinus Elementary School**  
**SAC Meeting Minutes**  
**December 18, 2012 (7:45 am)**

**Attendance:**

Teachers/Staff: Travis Brown (District), Carole Gauronskas (paraprofessional), Shawna Petrello (Volunteer Coordinator), Ashley Power (SAC Co-Chair), Yvonne Ross (District), Karen Stanfield (5<sup>th</sup>), Sara Storter (1<sup>st</sup>), Amanda Strange (SAC Co-Chair), Kathy Tucker (Principal)

Parents: Stephanie Davis, Kelly Mantei, Jenny Ranick, Katie Robshaw, Amy Wimmer Schwarb, Nancy Thompson, Vanessa Townsend, Jana Waler

**Call to Order:**

A meeting of the Ketterlinus School Advisory Council was held on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 in the Dolphin Lab. Amanda Strange called the meeting to order at 7:50 am. Ashley Power recorded minutes for the meeting.

**I. Introductions:**

- a. Introductions were made by all in attendance.

**II. Minutes Review of November meeting:**

- a. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Vanessa Townsend. The motion was seconded by Kelly Mantei.

**III. SAC General Information**

- a. Finance Report - SAC Funds: we have \$4,083 of rollover money.
- b. Principal's Report - No report at this time.
- c. Other Reports - No other reports at this time.

**IV. Old Business**

- a. No old business items were discussed - Title I information was tabled until next meeting.

## **V. New Business**

- a. AVID by Travis Brown: Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a Title I district initiative. It is a system that accelerates student learning through the use of research-based methods and materials that help teachers provide effective instruction to their students in primary, secondary and postsecondary education. AVID is a way to "package" high yield strategies for teachers, providing teachers with resources (lesson plans, charts, graphic organizers, etc) and professional development opportunities to help students navigate their way through reading, writing, speaking, and critical thinking activities across content areas. At the Elementary level, AVID is a school- wide program promoting a culture of success. Students are taught leadership and organizational skills. Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading to learn (WICOR) is the foundation of AVID. The bulk of the cost of AVID stems from annual fees and teacher training. It is expected that Ketterlinus will adopt the AVID program and implement it in grades 3-5 next school year. Mrs. Tucker would also like 1 teacher from each of the lower grades (K-2) to participate in training opportunities. She is seeking partnerships to provide funding for teacher training. If you are aware of a partnership opportunity, please contact her directly.

## **VI. Next Meeting Date and Time:**

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 15, 2012 at 7:45am in the Dolphin Lab.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn was made by Carole Gauronskas. The motion was seconded by Vanessa Townsend.