

Teacher Forum  
Meeting Minutes  
September 11, 2008

1. Welcome – All members were welcomed by Patty Fisher.
2. Lunch
3. Opening – Members participated in a getting to know you activity using M&M’s.
4. Universal Laws for Teachers – provided by Patty Fisher as the monthly encourager. Members agreed that the “ice breaker” activities would be replaced by a “monthly encourager.” Members from different schools signed up to provide the monthly encourager at future meetings (see attached).
5. Recorder – Members from different schools signed up to be the recorder for each meeting (see attached).
6. School Board Meeting Report – Polly Atkinson shared the minutes from the last School Board Meeting.
7. Teacher Forum By-laws and Constitution and CERRA Information – All members were provided with this.
8. Option 9 – Patty Fisher provided members with forms for recertification points.
9. Brainstorming Activities for Next Year:
  - \*Work on calendar for next year will begin in October and continue through November.
  - \*Work on TOY/Retirement Banquet in February, March, April, and May.
  - \*Volunteers needed for Swap Shop Sessions for new teachers. All members were asked to bring strategies/lesson plans for Swap Shop to the October meeting.
  - \*Various activities were discussed as possible Teacher Forum projects for the year. Members decided to focus on honoring new teachers and Teacher Cadets throughout the district.
  - \*Members of the Forum will invite Teacher Cadets to a future Teacher Forum meeting. February 12<sup>th</sup> was discussed as a possible date. Meeting location may need to be changed to accommodate a larger group.
  - \*Concerns brought to the Teacher Forum should be valid and in the best interest of the children we serve.
10. Meeting adjourned.

| <b>Date of Meeting</b> | <b>Recorder</b>   | <b>Encourager</b> |
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| September              | Jefferson Elem    | CIS               |
| October                | Long Middle       | CRM               |
| November               | McBee Elem        | Pageland Elem     |
| January                | Cheraw High       | New Heights       |
| February               | Chesterfield High | Cheraw Primary    |
| March                  | McBee High        | Edwards Elem      |
| April                  | Central High      | Petersburg Elem   |