

Consortium Minutes
March 30, 2007

Welcome by: DiAnne Adams - commented on the cold weather
Mark Riding did the folder browse-by. He directed the participants to respond to the survey in the folders today.
Amber talked about the six scholarships for the summer reading institute at U of U. She also asked for a needs survey for what to offer the next year in literacy.
Tony Done announced the CCBD conf on Oct 4-5
There are now 11 modules on line for the math praxis on updc web page, from Julie Mootz
Ginny introduced the Special Educator. She talked about our cover child, Ronald Gonzales from Gerald Wright Elementary. Ginny asked for help on the next issue where we highlight celebrations. The deadline is coming up soon. Michael talked about the "gift" in the back of the issue, disk on Reading for All Students and did an exercise in reading that demonstrated need for reading instruction. He talked about the fallacy of 80% accuracy...it doesn't work. Kids need higher than 80% accuracy. They need background knowledge and then need small group instruction (disk in magazine). Michael discussed who may benefit from the disk.
Bruce talked about the praxis test and the tests available on UEN. These are just now available (shared from Nevada). The state personnel grant was submitted this past week for the next five years.

Nan Gray introduced the new rules color. "Utah's Big Black Book of Rules." Winner of the "name the color contest" was Roz Welch from the Utah Parent Center.

Presentation: "Leadership at the Speed of Light" by Dr. Alice Parker from Sopris West. Needed a set of questions to start the discussion on leadership.
Three constants in life: Change, principles and choice.

(See handout for brief overview of her presentation)

Chris Kupher won a registration for Sopris Institute
Next consortium will be on autism on May 11 at LMC