

# Site Based Meeting Agenda

## 4/4/2017

**Members Present:** Joe Timms, Marla Acker, Misty Vertastegui, Barbye Moon, Jennifer Turner, Monica Trudeau, Gene Beyer, Casey Soward, Holly Schorsch, Becca McMcCartney

### I. Celebrations

- a. OAP – Advanced to Area
- b. Academic UIL – 31 Students going to Regionals
- c. Basketball – Both teams made it Regional Quarterfinals
- d. Ag Mech – Grand Champion at San Antonio
- e. CX Debate – Advanced to State

Principal informed committee of recent school activities and accomplishments

### II. Informative: Construction

- a. Projects are proceeding across campus.
- b. Library was moved very efficiently – Good job Mrs. Patterson and Maintenance
- c. Concrete slabs about to be poured for science labs and cafeteria

Principal informed committee of recent construction milestones and upcoming construction priorities

### III. Discuss: School Calendar Options

The committee had many different suggestions regarding the calendar.

Many of the parents voiced that they did not like half days indicating they were tough for working families. One teacher indicated that the half days were something that she enjoyed. The principal felt that half days at the end of the semester were useful but otherwise felt they were not beneficial to student learning. The Principal also noted that the half day before Thanksgiving was something that community and teachers were used to. The Principal suggested using half days as needed (for instance if a competitive team advanced to regionals or state and were competing far away.) The committee discussed having a full week off at Thanksgiving. It was pointed out that attendance on the Monday and Tuesday were low. The parents and teachers as a whole felt that taking those two days off was too much time off. The teachers wanted a day off on the last day of the first semester due to getting a later start toward Christmas break. No groups were opposed to this though the Principal indicated that there may be unintended consequences with condensing that week (regarding Christmas Play, Staff Christmas Party, and Semester Exams.) One member later indicated a desire to take MLK day off in January. The month of January already has a stock show day off for students and not sure if taking two days off in January was a great idea. Most of the committee felt that having a day off in April was more beneficial than a day off in October. The committee also discussed taking off Memorial Day due to families being off on that day. The committee discussed the pros and cons to this

day with it coming on the final week of the school year. The principal brought up adding five minutes to the school day to gain flexibility with school minutes. Staff was concerned that they would have to show up 5 minutes earlier for work, Principal said that was not his intention. Principal said that he would take the varying ideas and try to put them together for different options on calendars for the staff to vote on.

IV. Discuss: 2017 Community and Parent Survey Questions

The committee reviewed the questions. Felt they were in line with what they state wanted from the school districts. The committee approved of the questions and they will be distributed to parents by students at events such as elementary award program, UIL banquet, etc.

V. Discuss: Presentation about internet safety for the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade students

Principal discussed bringing the county attorney in to do a presentation for elementary students on social media and internet safety. The CA had already done a presentation for the high school and the Principal assured committee the presentation for elementary would be age appropriate.

VI. Discuss: Possibility of changes to Dual Credit Programming

Principal talked about conflicts the school has been having with our current community college and their partnership. Principal indicated that the school was looking at other options for our dual credit classes. Committee did not have any concerns or comments

VII. Discuss: Applying to be a school of innovation -- handout

Principal explained the School of Innovation option to the committee. Many of the teachers had already heard of the School of Innovation options from other districts and were opposed to doing it at MCISD. Committee discussed possible benefits but in the end felt that the district would not necessarily benefit a great deal from pursuing the option.

VIII. Community Concerns

IX. Business Concerns

X. Parent Concerns