MHS Community Council Meeting Minutes | May 24, 2022

Council Members Attending: Andrea Brooks, Diana Windley, Cheyla Mills, Beth Belinski, Jennifer Lance, Raelene Blocker, Brennen Fuller, Cyndi Flitton, Gwen Romero, Crae Wilson

Other Parents and Community Members Attending: Tricia Grow, Shana Croft (and spouse), George & Kimberli Tripp, Alisa Gunn, Ted & Katherine Hadley, Mindy Savage

Meeting called to order at 6:31 a.m. by Chair Andrea Brooks.

Note: Parents in attendance had concerns about the current Valedictorian selection process.

Consent Items:
Minutes for the April 5, 2022 monthly Community Council meeting. Motion to approve by Cheyla Mills with a 2nd from Beth Belinski. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jennifer Lance to amend the agenda to move-up the Valedictorian Selection Process discussion, with a 2nd from Gwen Romero. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Items:

Valedictorian Selection Process

Review of points system used in the Valedictorian selection process, as outlined in the MHS 2021-22 student handbook.

Cheyla Mills suggested:

- MHS look at capping the points allotted to AP courses and college-level courses.
- Weighting AP classes with 2 points for taking the class, and 3 points for taking the class + passing the test for college credit.
- Keep points awarded to courses that can be utilized toward earning a high school diploma and/or college degree.

Crae Wilson provided clarification on college classes that are awarded points that can go towards earning points in the Valedictorian selection process.

Discussion on the clarification on points system that needs to be available to all teachers, parents, and students. Clarification should be clearly outlined in the student handbook.

Andrea Brooks suggested the Council form a subcommittee to explore the subject further. The subcommittee will make recommendations on:

1. Clarification on Valedictorian points awarded for college-level courses for current MHS students;
2. New guidelines for incoming class on 2026 for Valedictorian selection process;
3. Committee members include stakeholders – parents, teachers (including AP and DTC), administration, counselors, and community council members. Diana Windley will chair the committee.

Motion to approve from Jennifer Lance, with a 2nd from Raelene Blocker. Motion passed unanimously.
Committee members will include: Diana Windley, Crae Wilson, Shana Croft, Jacob Johnson, Gwen Romero, Beth Belinski, Tricia Grow, George Tripp, KyLee Rock.

Diana Windley will set-up a Zoom meeting for early-to-mid June for the committee to meet. (Update 06-03-2022: meeting is scheduled for June 15th at 7 p.m. on Zoom.)

Note: All visiting parents, with the exception of Mindy Savage, left the meeting after the Valedictorian discussion concluded.

**2022-23 Trust Land Funds & TSSA Proposal**

The following recommendations for appropriation of funds from Trust Land and TSSA were presented by Crae Wilson. The recommendations are based on discussions with and requests from the MHS leadership committee.

The anticipated Trust Land budget for the 2022-23 school year is $212,856. The recommended allocation of funds is:

- **Text Books for Math and Language Arts** = $31,179.50
- **Full-time English Teacher** = $61,014.00
- **Instructional Coach (50% of salary/benefits)** = $58,182.50
- **Part-time Math Teacher** = $47,480.00
- **Professional Development** = $15,000.00

The anticipated TSSA budget for the 2022-23 school year is $128,750. The recommended allocation of funds is:

- **IT Specialist** = $39,640.00
- **Student and Teacher Technology** = $70,498.00
- **Instructional Supplies/Improvement** = $10,000.00
- **Orchestra Program** = $8,612.00

Motion to approved the 2022-23 Trust Land and TSSA Funds from Jennifer Lance, with a 2\textsuperscript{nd} from Andrea Brooks. Motion passed unanimously.

Request that Luke Thomas provide a review of the 2021-22 data (including ACT test scores) in an upcoming MHS Community Council meeting in 2022-23.

Motion by Andrea Brooks to amend the agenda to move-up the MHS CC Election discussion, with a 2\textsuperscript{nd} from Raelene Blocker. Motion passed unanimously.

**2022-23 MHS Community Council Election**

There are five spots for parents in the upcoming MHS CC election for the 2022-23 school year. The open spots are currently held by Jim Ellis, Raelene Blocker, Andrea Brooks, Diana Windley, and Jennifer Lance.
Jennifer Lance indicated she does not intend to run for re-election for the 2022-23 school year as it will interfere with her work schedule.

An email will go out to parents on Monday, August 22nd with a request for applications for the five open spots on the MHS CC. Applications will close on September 9th. Online voting will be held September 12th through the 14th.

Current teachers/administration on the MHS CC are Cyndi Flitton, Brennen Fuller, Gwen Romero, Jeremy Floyd, and Crae Wilson. Jeremy Floyd is leaving MHS, and thereby will no longer serve as a teacher on the CC. Crae Wilson will make announcements to faculty regarding 2022-23 MHS CC teacher vacancies and election.

The first MHS CC meeting for the 2022-23 school year will be held Tuesday, August 23rd with the existing members of the Council.

**Course Selection for 2022-23 School Year**

Crae Wilson explained that a new system is in the process of implementation that will automatically assign students to their courses for the 2022-23 school year. The implementation has been delayed due to issues with staffing, AP courses, and concurrent enrollment courses.

**Agenda Items Tabled Until Next Meeting**

- School Safety Plan
- Committee Reports

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 a.m. by Andrea Brooks with a 2nd from Crae Wilson.