

Mueller Park Junior High Community Council Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 5, 2021, 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Member	Role	Attending
Kellie Mudrow	Employee, Principal	Yes
Elizabeth Garey	Employee	Yes
Jim Haws	Employee	Yes
Susan Pearson	Employee	Yes
Kevin Poff	Employee	Yes
Linda Vaughn	Employee	Yes
Amy Choate-Nielsen	Parent	Yes
Annie Kuehne	Parent	Absent
Heather Mackenzie-Campbell	Parent	Yes
Michelle Nylander	Parent	Yes
Kelli Roberts	Parent	Excused
Osmond Seangsuwan	Parent	Yes
Cyndalynn Tilley	Parent	Excused
Debbie Washburn	Parent	Yes
Suzanne Schmitt	PTO President/adhoc	Excused
Sunny Ford	Counselor/adhoc	Yes

Welcome: Michelle Nylander welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of January Minutes: Michelle Nylander asked for a motion to approve the January 8, 2021 Community Council meeting minutes. Osmond Seangsuwan made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Sue Pearson seconded the motion. All in attendance voted Aye. No member in attendance voted No.

School Safety/Covid Update: Kellie Mudrow reported the school has seven Covid cases reported. Kellie and the administrative staff continue to remind students not to wear the mask under the nose. Announcements are made to encourage compliance and the students are responsive. New masks are on order and will be received at the end of February or early March. K-12 teachers are still eligible for the Covid-19 vaccine and the Davis County Health Department’s process is streamlined. The CDC initial assessment is the vaccines will protect against the variants.

Digital Citizenship: Kellie Mudrow reported the school purchased the NetSmartz digital safety curriculum at a discount for White Ribbon Week. Osmond Seangsuwan suggested the “Use the Power” for Thursday, which teaches students to look out for each other, watch for signs of suicidal postings, use the SafeUT, and report to an adult. The school’s Hope Squad will run activities and hand out treats. Parents will be directed to the NetSmartz website for parent information. Each student will receive white bracelets to bring awareness to White Ribbon Week. The school will use two White Ribbon Week banners to remind the students and parents. Student Body Officers will give each student a sucker and handout “Candygram Notes”. Internet Safety will be discussed by the teachers and students during Panther Time. Kellie will reach out to the PTO to see if they can help with a Spirit Day on Thursday.

Review Current Year Goals & LAND Trust Appropriations: Kellie Mudrow emailed a current “MPJH SIP Trustlands Budget” detailing planned expenditures and the actual spending. Kellie reported the Student Advocate position has been filled. The Student Advocate runs Lunch and Learn, assists teachers with Panther Time, and helps counselors with remediation and honor roll celebrations. A full-time permanent substitute teacher has been hired. If a substitute teacher is not needed, she assists teachers.

Kellie reported spending for the Math Lab, Chinese teacher, and technology. The school ordered items for a “traveling classroom” to serve the school for 3 to 5 years. This includes a Mevo camera to “Live Stream” school

activities on the school's website for those who cannot attend. School Trust Lands Funds budgeted for technology were used for the purchase.

District Training Recap/Next Year's Goal ideas: Michelle Nylander reported the district proposed that between February 1st and April 2nd, the Community Council should identify the 2021-2022 goals. Between March 15th and April 15th, the Community Council should review the academic goals and sign-up to get district approval. Kellie has been reviewing how many students are impacted by each of the Trust Land Fund programs. Kellie proposes the Community Council focus on funding core areas of Math, English, and Science rather than funding the Chinese teacher's salary as part of the school improvement plan. She will pursue funding from the district for the Chinese teacher.

Linda Vaughn commented that as 7th graders using Summit move into 8th grade, science may not have an honors designation. Rather, a first semester elective Science Fair course on Summit could be designated as an honors science course. The class could be based on the curriculum used at Farmington High School.

Kellie reported teachers are working on the 7th grade Social Studies Summit component. A Social Studies component will be added to Summit for 8th grade next year. The goals that would support social studies the most would be the reading and writing. The district also encourages working a Social Emotional Learning goal into the School Improvement Plan. Osmond Seangsuwan asked about the possibility of more funding for STEM programs like Robotics.

Kellie will present data from mid-year Math and Reading inventories at the next committee meeting. The Chinese APPL Test was just finished, which shows great progress. Kellie is considering offering an optional ACT Practice Test for 9th graders, but Trust Land Funds would not be used. The committee supports optional afterschool or Saturday test prep-course and an ACT Practice Test. The opportunity would help 9th graders learn test taking skills. The results would be a means for the school to validate Summit.

PTO Update: Suzanne Schmitt, PTO President, was excused. Kellie shared Suzanne's report:

"The PTO donated \$2,000 to the library for books. Parents continue to bring in treats on Friday."

Counseling Update: Sunny Ford reported the Counseling Department is in the middle of 6th grade registration. The students going into 9th grade should have submitted their registrations. The Counseling Department can help with registration. The registration for students going into 8th grade will be open next week. The Counseling Department will evaluate how the new registration system worked. The registration will be finalized by August.

Next meeting date: The next Community Council meetings are scheduled for Friday mornings at 7:00 a.m. on March 5, 2021, April 9, 2021, and May 7, 2021.

Adjourn: Kevin Poff asked for a motion to adjourn. Amy Choate-Nielsen made the motion to adjourn. Sue Pearson seconded the motion. All in attendance voted Aye. No member in attendance voted No. The meeting adjourned.