Mueller Park Junior High Community Council Meeting Minutes
Friday, May 7, 2021, 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Member	Role	Attending
Kellie Mudrow	Employee, Principal	Yes
Elizabeth Garey	Employee	Excused
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	Yes
Osmond Seangsuwan	Parent	Yes
Cyndalynn Tilley	Parent	Yes
Debbie Washburn	Parent	Yes
Suzanne Schmitt	PTO President/adhoc	Excused
Sunny Ford	Counselor/adhoc	Yes
Adam King	Assistant Jr. High Principal	Yes

Welcome: Michelle Nylander welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Approval of May Minutes:** Michelle Nylander asked for a motion to approve the April 9, 2021 Community Council meeting minutes. Kellie Mudrow made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Osmond Seangsuwan seconded the motion. All in attendance voted Aye. No member in attendance voted No.

**School Safety Update:** Kellie Mudrow reported the school held an earthquake drill during the Great Utah Shakeout in each classroom April 15<sup>th</sup>. The school will hold one more fire drill near the end of the school year.

**Covid-19 Update:** Kellie Mudrow reported on the high number of Covid-19 cases (12). The outbreak was traced to students involved with a community theater. There are approximately 12 students at the school with mask exemptions. The mask mandate is scheduled to expire on the last day of school or June 15, 2021.

**School Mission Statement:** Kellie Mudrow turned the time over to Kevin Poff to discuss the process followed to update the school's mission statement. Kevin, Jill, and Denise surveyed the faculty, parent groups, and student groups to receive feedback as to what school should be about. The groups responded with reoccurring themes that form the new mission statement i.e., achievement, civility, empowerment, and mastery. The proposal was accepted. Kellie Mudrow told the committee the school will be printing the mission statement on banners to post in the school.

**Cheer Constitution and try-out updates:** Kellie Mudrow reported cheerleaders and student body officers are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA all year long. The policy was clarified, the 3.0 GPA is cumulative. The cheer coach expressed concern that a student would be punished for 7 terms for one mistake. The policy now reads a cumulative GPA of 3.0. If a student is struggling before joining cheer, the student will struggle to keep up grades when participating in cheer due to the time commitment.

**Review Current Year Goals & LAND Trust Appropriations:** Kellie Mudrow reported the MPJH SIP Trust Lands Budget for 2020-2021 as of May 7, 2021, as follows:

The Starting Balance was \$138,282.00, Year to Date Expenditures were \$99,936.81, Outstanding Encumbrance is \$26,661.88, and the Budget Balance is \$11,683.31.

**Review Next Year Goals & LAND Trust Appropriations:** Kellie Mudrow reported Community Council members should have received the email from State Trust Lands to digitally sign their approval of the 2021-2022 Student Improvement Plan.

Kellie reported the school will be offering three new classes next year. The first is an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Health Science class for the Pathway to 9<sup>th</sup> grade. The second class is Teaching as a Profession where students will learn about different careers in an educational setting. And the third will be a World Language entry point class, one period of French open to grades 7-9. In addition, Kevin Poff will be teaching a Mock Trial class, which can prepare students for debate, FBLA, DECA, and law.

Kellie reported the process planned to provide 9<sup>th</sup> grade students, who took the ACT Practice Test, with their scores. Groups of 10 students will be called to the counseling office to discuss the purpose of the practice test. The Practice ACT Test was to provide students the experience of test taking and for them to use the results to prepare and take the ACT Test in high school. Parents will be emailed a PowerPoint presentation to explain the ACT Practice Test and how their student can use the results to prepare for the actual test in high school.

**PTO Update:** Suzanne Schmitt, PTO President, was excused. Kellie Mudrow reported the PTO would be giving gift cards for teacher appreciation. The 9<sup>th</sup> grade celebration will be on June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30 pm to 2:55 pm. Kevin Poff asked for clarification on the last day of school, AB Day June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kellie said it is a school day for yearbook signing. The school still has approximately 200 yearbooks selling on MyDSD for \$29. A list of student IDs who have already purchased a yearbook will be posted.

Linda Vaughn recognized the student body officers' service project. Students brought in 900 boxes of cereal, which were donated to the Bountiful Food Pantry. Linda said next years' service project will be a Festival of Trees event to raise money for a Sub for Santa for a Mueller Park Junior High family. Linda recognized this year's student body officers for serving during the pandemic that limited the in-person events the SBOs could attend.

**Counseling Update:** Sunny Ford gave an update on the data project submitted to the state as part of the audit. To incorporate the Summit Program, the counseling department surveyed each student in the beginning of the year to determine if they felt connected to one caring adult in the building and if they can talk to their Panther Success Teacher to get the help they needed. In the beginning of the year, 86% of students said they were comfortable with their mentor teacher. This result was higher than expected. The counseling department set a goal of a 5% increase by the end of the year. The end of the year survey showed 88% of students said they felt comfortable with their mentor teacher. This was a 2% increase. The counseling department is pleased with the high beginning and ending year percentages of students that felt comfortable with their mentor teacher.

**Next Year Community Council and Meeting Date:** The next Community Council meeting is scheduled for 6:45 am on Friday, September 3, 2021 at the school. The committee supported hybrid meetings, so members have an option to join by Zoom. The members, who are not going off the committee, will meet to discuss elections and plans going forward.

Adjourn: Michelle Nylander asked for a motion to adjourn. Kevin Poff made the motion to adjourn. Kellie Mudrow seconded the motion. All in attendance voted Aye. No member in attendance voted No. The meeting adjourned.