

Millcreek Junior High Community Council Agenda

February 22, 2023 – 3:45 PM

1. Welcome– Rebecca Cushing
 - a. Accept minutes from January meeting.

2. PTA representative minute – Allison Dodds
 - White Ribbon Week – Internet safety “Tech through the Decades”
 - Valentine’s Dance
 - Valentine’s cookies for faculty

3. Counselor’s Update – Emily Smith
 - Next week 2/27-3/3 registering incoming 9th and 8th graders (M/T – 9th; Th/F – 8th)
 - Career Day 3/7

4. Budget Review – Brad Chapple

Review expenditures to date in the Land Trust budget

 - a. Goal 1: Homework club spent \$324
 - i. Math tutor – Katie Diaz
 - b. Goal 2: Leave MJH with as much credit as possible
 - i. Brad Chapple giving incentives for getting work done.
 - ii. Pizza party incentive for credit retrieved
 - iii. Student success center salary
 - iv. ELD aide salary
 - c. Teacher Productivity – Under staffing (coming from last year’s rollover) - pay a teacher 1/8 of their salary to teach during their prep period. Encumbered in February for the 2nd half of the year. They were originally planned in the TSSA budget, but we had \$49,000 that needed to be spent in our rollover money.

5. Final Vote on Safe Technology Plan – Brad Chapple

We talked about this last time, but did not have enough people to vote. We took a vote this time and it was unanimous in favor of adopting.

6. School Improvement Plan Goal Presentation- Brad Chapple

Next meeting we will do a vote of support on these goals:

 - **Goal Number One:**

Reduce the percentage of chronically absent students at Millcreek Junior High School from 12.5% to 7.5%, or a reduction of 5% as measured through Power BI and Encore attendance data.
 - Mr. Chapple has written a letter to send to parents about the importance of attendance. Attendance is tied to success in academics. Need support from the community. Coming up with an attendance action plan.

- There are studies done that by acknowledging students by teachers and welcoming to class produce better attendance. MJH has done the Mustang moment, administration greets students every day at the front doors, teachers stand at the door in between bells and greet students.

1. Add an attendance tracker. That is how this goal will use land trust money; or
2. Finding a reward system for improved attendance.

- **Goal Number Two:**
Increase the number of students in the class of 2027 cohort that are on track to graduate by reducing the number of classes failed by 3% when compared to the 8th grade year as measured through the graduation summary report.
- Know who the students are that have failed classes. Talk about these students in LCM. Add them in a remediation class.
- Need money tied to math resources. Need to come up with ways to help our children succeed. Can we get a book for kids? District in talks about getting a textbook approved. During a discussion it felt like resistance about spending money on math textbooks.
- Professional Learning Community (PLC): PLC is a process of looking at data, assessing, and bettering teaching practices. All departments at MJH are looking at their data for their content areas and making goals for improvement. Setting up PLC goals by department for next year. Mr. Chapple will be talking to each department about goals that will need money to accomplish.
 - Reduce class size. Enrollment will be up to 700 students next year. Pay for productivities next year. Have used TSSA money in the past.
 - Add purchasing a book as a goal for the math department?

7. Future Council meeting items

- a. Meet every fourth Wednesday of each month at 3:45 PM
 - March 22
 - April 26 (Sign off on SIP for next year)

8. Adjourn meeting --- Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 3:45 PM

Action items for next month:

Review and Vote on School Requested LAND Trust expenditures related to SY 2023-2024