Cherokee County School District

MINUTES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Mill Creek Middle School - School Council
February 14, 2024

1. Call to Order – The meeting of the Mill Creek MS School Council was called to order at 8:07 AM. The council members who were present at the meeting were Robin Burtom, Jana Giles, Jim Elder, Susanne O'Brien, and Matthew May.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda – Mr. May reviewed the agenda with the School Council. Robin Burton motioned to approve the agenda, which Susan O'Brien seconded.

4. Approval of Minutes – Mr. May showed the School Council where the Minutes from the previous meeting (12/13/23) are located on the MCMS Website. Mr. May explained that all minutes were on the website and accessible to the council and the public. Mr. May also explained that a hard copy is available in the school's Front Office should anyone request to review them.

5. Presentation to the School Council

    - Safety/Security – Officer Samira Rezagholizadeh, Mr. May

      Officer Rezagholizadeh discussed some of the training required of her and the frequency of training to remain proficient in her skills as an officer for MCMS's safety and security, including active shooting drills.

      We discussed how all of our doors remain locked throughout the day. We talked about the Centegix system; every teacher and administrator carries the Centegix badge. Suppose a staff member needs a quick response for a student issue, a person of interest on campus, or a need for an immediate lockdown of the campus the staff member can utilize their badge to request immediate assistance. MCMS Centegix system is also linked with the RRHS system if there are any issues. The system is connected to the CCSD Police Department and all local authorities to respond if the system triggers an emergency.

      Officer Rezagholizadeh talked about developing relationships with students through interactions at MCMS and when she works at

RRHS sporting events. Developing relationships with students helps with behavior and removes the intimidating factor if students need help from an officer.

Mr. May discussed how important the newly installed sign-in and sign-out system is. The system will identify and alert the staff of individuals who cannot be in the building.

Mr. May discussed how school administration handles potential threats. He discussed the process administration uses to investigate and take appropriate action.

6. Report of the Principal

- Job Fair – March 2, 2024
- Scheduling

  We talked about course requests that are sent to parents before spring break. The main goal for parents is to review available core classes. Parents are allowed to provide feedback based on the recommendation for placement (i.e., advanced classes, high school credit courses).

  This helps when creating teacher schedules based on which teachers remain in the building for the following year.

- High School Credit – Healthcare Science (8th grade)

  MCMS is exploring if River Ridge may send a teacher to offer a French language course. MCMS is still awaiting the availability of the teacher and the needs of RRHS before committing to providing the course.

- Spring Coming Events:

  Milestone Testing

  6th grade will start the last week of April. Then, 7th grade, followed by 8th grade.

  Olympics

  Coach Elder described how the Olympics is done for each grade level. 8th grade will be on Friday, May 17th, 7th grade on Wednesday, May 22nd, and 6th grade on Thursday, May 23rd. In the morning, students compete in events outside on the PE field, and in the afternoon, students compete in events inside the gym.

7. Old Business

   None

8. New Business

   - Council Member Resignation – Amanda Johnson
   - Date of Resignation: February 14, 2023
   - Council motioned to fill the position in August along with any other open positions through open nominations and election process, outlined in the council by-laws.
   - Next Meeting is scheduled for April 17th, 2024

9. Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. May to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 and was seconded by Susan O'Brien.

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