

MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL SAC MINUTES

Date: December 12, 2024

Opening: Mr. Smith at 5:00

Present: Joe Aida, Cindy Angeles, Michael Bibbs, Shelley Bibbs, Delia Busby, Robert Elder, Shatarie Johnson, Valorie Jordan, Rebecca Kenderdine, Irene Kornelly, Edward Mouchette, Julie Ott, Sharon Simpson-Dogon

Absent: Terrie Blackwell, Cassie Booth, Delia Busby, Kasnyme Coke, Shay Dabney, Alyssa Webb, Jackie Wick, Michael Williams

Agenda Presentation

Approval of Minutes: November minutes were approved by the chairperson, Mr. Bibbs

Business from Previous Meeting: None

New Business:

1. Toy distribution at Wilson, Twain, and Penrose. Student Council is doing a great job this year as in the past.
2. STAR benchmark. 94% participation. The school will be celebrating students and teachers for growth. MHS will be putting names to the numbers in order to customize student academic support even better.
3. 5 days of winter potluck begins Monday morning to show appreciation for teachers. All are welcome to contribute.
4. 2025 MHS Pathway Planning meeting — Instructional Leadership Team provided information to the CDE rep. A commissioner on-site visit will occur on January 20 and Commissioner Cordova on January 30. Possible options that could occur for schools with Mitchell's status are closure, charter, innovation, community, or 3rd-party management. One disconnection caused Mitchell not to meet the criteria necessary for CDE. Staff know what they have done, what needs to be done, what the data points demonstrate. Collaborative discussion will continue.

Questions: When will the pathway be stated explicitly? There's no appetite for reconstitution. We still need to fill some positions — multilingual learning, for instance.

When will we know? ... By the time of the May visit

School needs to celebrate academic successes more often.

Tier 2 and Read Theory are shrinking the bottom. We also need to grow the top.

TNTP researches remediation — low socioeconomic and POC. Those populations never reach the pinnacle of achievement with remediation. The acceleration bucket says that those students also need to be presented with the more rigorous curriculum, not just remediation to see more growth. MHS is doing both. We need more parental involvement. MHS was one of five schools to surpass the district's expectations in ELA and math. PSAT and SAT scores weren't good. Horizon Benchmark Assessment provides better correlative data for those. Professional development is being provided around the the Horizon program.

Question: How are non-college-bound students being addressed regarding the testing?

The state sets the expectation; MHS attempts to get students with every future intention to meet the benchmarks. The students aren't pigeonholed by the administration. Because we don't know the future for each student, we need to fill the gaps in the system that has allowed students to arrive at MHS with such

low academic achievement.

The CTE program is designed for the students. At Mitchell, the following pathways are available for various certifications: Aviation Science, Art (jewelry becoming an entrepreneurial path), Microsoft Suite, Cyber Security, Robotics, AI, ACE (work-based learning).

MHS has the largest concurrent enrollment in the district, and it's growing.

5. Women's soccer will be reinstated, A coach has been found.
6. Because of the BoE's decision to terminate the contract, some staff are already investigating different employment options for next year even though their experience at Mitchell is positive. Staff are hopeful that the district will reverse their decision in the months to come. The negotiation issues that teachers wanted to address were class size and planning time. Staff and parents care about the impact of the board's not renewing the contract. No one wants students to be harmed

Mrs. Johnson requested data that elucidates the impact of the board's action on teachers.

Board Director Julie Ott — Legal advice was sought, no BoE meeting was secret. The board is required to give only a 24-hour of notice. Everyone should educate themselves.

FAQs are available under the Employee tab of the district's website.

Adjournment at 6:14 to the holiday celebration with a menu delicious food catered by Mrs. Johnson.