Cherokee County School District

MINUTES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Mill Creek Middle School - School Council
November 1, 2024

1. Call to Order – The meeting of the Mill Creek MS School Council was called to order at 8:04 AM. The members of the council who were present at the meeting were Theresa Haywood, Kelli Frye, Scott Steinbrenner, Matthew Kling, Jason Quinn, Ashley Kelsey (in lieu of Jim Elder), Susanne O'Brien, and Justin Sanderson.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda – Mr. Sanderson reviewed the agenda with the School Council.

4. Presentation to School Council

- Prior to the Presentations to the School Council, each member briefly introduced themselves to the group.

- Mr. Sanderson gave members of the School Council a copy of the school council training PowerPoint prior to the meeting and a hard copy at the meeting to review the purpose and role of the school council. During the review the following positions were selected for the 2024-2025 school year. Mr. Sanderson made a motion to approve the positions and Susanne O'Brien seconded the motion.

    - Chairperson: Theresa Haywood
    - Vice Chairperson: Kelli Frye
    - Secretary: Jim Elder

2024-2025 School Improvement Plan – Ashley Kelsey

- Instructional Lead Strategist Ashley Kelsey reviewed the school improvement plan progress from the previous school year. Discussions took place regarding areas of progress and areas still needing attention. She explained the primary focus will be centered around the Superintendent's Key Priorities, which focuses on teaching standards at the rigor level of the standard.

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5. Report of the Principal

- Mr. Sanderson conducted a general overview of the school budget and expenditure process with the council on the process. Mr. Sanderson explained the need for fundraisers to offset the laptop deficit at MCMS.

- Mr. Sanderson went over the successes of the cell phone policy and the impact of the laptop shortage.

- Class sizes were reviewed with the average size being 27 -32 students. Mr. Sanderson explained that class sizes are determined by HR Allocations.

6. New Business

Leadership Qualities of a Principal

- After a review of the 2024-2025 Leadership Qualities of a Principal, no changes were made.

- Mr. Sanderson asked if there were any additional staff that anyone would like to speak at a meeting. A request was made for a school counselor to speak at a meeting.

- Ms. Frye offered to reach out to a connection for gear for the teachers and Ms. Haywood offered to reach out to a vending contact.

6. Adjournment – Mr. Sanderson adjourned the meeting at 9:15.

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