

MEMORIAL SCHOOL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES FOR: April 11, 2024

MEETING	MEMORIAL SCHOOL COUNCIL
DATE	4/11/24
LOCATION	Conference Room
ATTENDEES	John Willis, Lindsey Banks, Sarah Stone, Rene Puopolo Smith, Deb Patuto, Kathryn Taylor
ABSENT	Samantha Silag
GUESTS	
RECORDED BY	Deb Patuto

School Council Meeting
April 11, 2024
3:00-4:00 P.M. – MMES Conference Room
Agenda

1. Public Comment
2. Burning issues/questions/ideas
 1. Chronic Absenteeism (Absent for 10% or more) 18 days or more
Warning Letter 1: After 10 days letter sent out
Warning Letter 2: 15 days closer to the 18
Warning Letter 3: 18 days (fine)
 2. MMES/EES - Would like to see a shared author visit for next year.
STEAM NIGHT - Huge Success -
JOINT MUSICAL
JOINT POETRY NIGHT
JOINT PEN PALS
 3. Technology and Learning - Screentime
 - i. Anecdotal Information: Screen time was minimal throughout the school days at all grade levels. More screen time with typing/writing drafts as you increase grade levels. Most teachers use screens for a quick brain break/physical breaks/iready-My Path/Occasional video to enhance learning experience
 - ii. School Council Progress!
 1. MERSD Approach - Screentime and AI
 - a. SIP Goal Area - To investigate...
3. Budget Update

1. Job postings and Transfers - Ann Heslop and Joanne Seaman are retiring
 - i. 2 transfers to Memorial - Jenna Papagni (General Education)
Ashley Sartell (Severe Special Education)
 - ii. Nurse Position Posted
 - iii. Instructional Coaches Pending
2. Town Budget Approval Pending (April and May)
3. Classroom Configuration
4. School Improvement Plan
 1. Progress Review
 2. Goals and Objectives Brainstorming
 - i. UDL - Will begin embarking on Universal Design for Learning
 - ii. Technology/AI(?)
 3. Process and timelines
 - i. NEASC Delay?
5. Next Meeting: May 16, 2024 3:00-4:00
6. Meeting Adjournment