Cherokee County School District

MINUTES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Mill Creek Middle School - School Council
May 15, 2025

1. Call to Order – The Mill Creek MS School Council meeting was called to order at 8:01 AM. The council members who were present at the meeting were Theresa Haywood, Kelli Frye, Scott Steinbrenner, Matthew Kling, Jason Quinn, 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. Susan O'Brien motioned to approve the agenda,

4. Approval of Minutes – Jim Elder reviewed the minutes from 3/14/25 sent to the school council on the MCMS website. All minutes were on the website and accessible to the council and the public. The hard copy of the minutes is available in the school's front office, should anyone request to review them.

5. Old Business

    - None

6. New Business

    - Chromebooks

        i. i. 128 Chromebooks were ordered for $51,840 using money from the Color Battle Fundraiser.

        ii. 128 Chromebook CCSD Etching $128 using money from the Color Battle Fundraiser.

        iii. 4 Bretford Cube Charging Cart for $4,265.76 using money from the Color Battle Fundraiser.

        iv. Delivery is still unknown.

    - New budget next year

        i. Increase from $190,000 to $250,000 for funds for the school.

            1. Looking to increase budgets for fine arts.

- EOC/EOG Updates
    i. Positive feedback from teachers and administration
    ii. Looking at Level 3 and Level 4 combined scores vs 2024;
        1. ELA – 6th grade increase 4%
            a. 7th & 8th grade still awaiting results
        2. Algebra – 8th grade increase 4% - highest in the county
        3. Math – 6th grade increase 8%, 7th grade decrease 4%, 8th grade increase 21%
        4. Physical Science – 8th grade increase 6%
        5. Science – 8th grade increase 8%
        6. Social Studies – 8th grade increase 14%
- 8th Grade Awards
    i. Feedback
        1. Kids enjoyed the experience
        2. High energy by sharing results from EOC/EOG
        3. From the parent side, it was positive
        4. For the email, it was alphabetized through synergy; fathers got the emails over mothers
        5. Keep them at the RRHS Auditorium for the future
- Cafeteria debt
    i. Continued communication about kids who are in debt
        1. Provide forms for Free/Reduced lunch to those who may be struggling.
    ii. Two students make up 77% of the entire debt. Continued communication has been sent out to these families.
- Beta Club Induction

i. Parent feedback – short and sweet. Enjoyed that the Beta Club's members ran the entire ceremony.

- Olympics
    i. Parental involvement
        1. Only through PTSA and handing out popsicles for the morning portions of the Olympic days.
        2. The Olympics have enough supervision with the grade-level teachers and connection teachers to help with the students.
- Course placements
    i. The strictest is Alegra 1 and Spanish due to high school credit courses and accessibility of teachers to maximize learning for all students.
    ii. Individually look at student placements within either advanced courses versus on-level.
        1. Focus is on student success
- Camp '32
    i. During meet and greet day – July 31st
    ii. Upcoming 6th graders come to school for a day of fun and exploring the school to identify where certain rooms are located.

7. Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. Sanderson to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 a.m. and was seconded by Jim Elder.

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