



Site Council Meeting #1 Minutes

Date: September 10

Time: 7:15 AM – 7:50 AM

Location: Front Conference Room

Recorded by: Cheryl Graham, Administrative Support Coordinator

🏆 Integrity 🤝 Community 🧑 Respect 😊 Excellence 🌈 Acceptance ❤️ Middle Level Learner Uniqueness

Mountainside Vision: To offer meaningful opportunities for all learners to explore and develop skills and traits needed to reach their highest potential as contributors to creating a better and more peaceful world

Mountainside Mission: Mountainside Middle School strives to develop principled, caring, and inquisitive learners in order to prepare them to be knowledgeable and respectful global citizens

1. Welcome & Introductions (2 minutes)

- Call to order: 7:15 - Amy Hardy
- Introductions of members
 - Lisa Robbins – Art Teacher
 - Brett Warner – Parent of 6th Grader
 - Trenton Corea – PE Teacher
 - Cheryl Graham – Administrative Support Coordinator
 - Amy Hardy – Principal

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes (3 minutes)

- Review/approve today's agenda: reviewed and approved
- Review/approve minutes from last meeting: no prior minutes

3. Principal's Report (8 minutes)

- **Enrollment Update**
 - Current enrollment: 511
 - Goal: 523 by August 2026
 - Strategies: Community engagement, social media outreach, IB accreditation promotion
- **Tours**
 - Scheduled: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
 - Additional tours coordinated by Cheryl
 - Exploring student-led video tours via Media Production or StuGo

- **Community Partnerships**
 - Blue Zones initiative with Honor Health to attract local families
- **Board Meeting Highlights (September 9)**
 - Recognition for Blue Zones accreditation
 - STEM Center led by Daniel Reinhart
 - \$45K funding from Farley Foundation
 - STEM carts to include coding, robotics, drones
 - Construction challenges noted, but space will be utilized effectively
- **Upcoming events**
 - Blue zones Celebration: October 8, 8:30-9:00 AM
 - Superintendent and Governing Board members to speak
 - All are invited to attend

4. **Committee & Budget Updates** Cheryl Graham (7 minutes)

- **Academic & Activities Snapshot**
 - Importance: Leadership, teamwork, school spirit
- **Athletics**
 - Baseball Tier 1 35 students, Volleyball Tier 1 42 students
 - Upgrades: uniforms, equipment
- **Clubs**
 - Offering: Science Olympiad (state-ranked), Robotics, Choir, Jazz Band, Concert Band, Orchestra, Drama, new Book Club, new Pickleball Club, new Art Club
 - Pickleball \$30 dues for equipment, transportation
 - Active in fundraising
 - Trips and competitions planned to Disneyland, southern California,
- **Finance update**
 - **Student Activities**
 - **Maintenance and Operations**
 - IB recertification
 - IB-focused agendas and print material
 - Emphasis on IB training and conferences
 - **Capital**
 - New lounge/collaboration room (401) remodel (using RBF funds)
 - Laminator, golf cart
 - Newsela software and new books

5. **Open Forum / Next Steps** (3 minutes)

- **Action Item**
 - Approved: Use of general extracurricular tax-credit funds (T700) for Science Olympiad teacher stipends (up to \$1,400) – *Unanimous vote*
- **Member/parent Comment and Suggestions**
 - **Student Mentorship of Anasazi and Laguna students**

- Tied to IB service learning
 - Laguna choir club at MMS – explore similar partnership with Anasazi
- **Facility use**
 - Employees may use space for after-school clubs
 - Non-employees must rent through district facilities
- **Social Media**
 - Bridget Cratty recognized for awesome work on our accounts
- **Next Steps**
 - Post minutes on website and email to members
 - Next meeting - December 10, 7:15 am - Front Conference Room

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 AM - Amy Hardy

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WIG (Wildly Important Goal #1)

By May 2026 Mountainside will increase AASA Math scores by 3% using MTSS-A interventions

By May 2026 Mountainside will increase AASA ELA Scores by 3% using MTSS-A interventions

By May 2026 Mountainside will increase 8th grade Azsci scores by 3% using MTSS-A interventions

WIG (Wildly Important Goal #2)

By August 2026, Mountainside Middle School will increase student enrollment by 3% (15 students total increase) through intentional promotion of the IBMYP programme. This will be achieved by (1) marketing MYP consistently via school social media platforms and weekly community updates, (2) documenting teacher trainings and unit development in Toddle, and (3) capturing tour data. Progress will be measured through enrollment data, tour tracking logs, and documentation of trainings/units, ensuring consistent monitoring and adjustment of strategies.

Benchmarks / Checkpoints:

Current Enrollment 508 Goal 523

- **Quarter 1 (Aug–Oct 2025):**
 - **Launch monthly social media features showcasing IBMYP.**
 - **Collect baseline enrollment inquiries and school tour attendance data.**
 - **Document at least 1 teacher training in Toddle. (Done 8/27/25)**