

# Instructional Council Meeting Minutes

Date 2-26-26

Time 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Location A124

Facilitator name Christin Johnson

Time Keeper name Cara Heck

Recorder name Mandy Allred

## Members Present

Amanda Allred  
 Sheila Barbour  
 Lauren Condon  
 Adrianna Deuel  
 Suzanne Everett  
 Teresa Fierro  
 Cara Heck  
 Christine Herrera  
 Christin Johnson  
 Russ Jones  
 Rachael Koenigsfeld  
 Raquel Leland  
 Jenna Myers  
 Linda MacMaster  
 Margita Martinez  
 Deborah Muldawer  
 Jessie Olson  
 Olivia Oyinatumba  
 Janet Reeder  
 Anna Rogge  
 Geoff Smith  
 Crystal Yamazaki  
 Parent representative (Francine Mistalski)

## Agenda Topic – Announcements

Everything Olivia needs to talk about is in the agenda.

## Agenda Topic: NMYA (New Mexico Young Actors)

April 30th in the morning. Student led productions with students from 9-18. Students in the productions go through a semester of Drama 1 before their production. Alexandra Uranga is working with this group and directing that play, and is interested in bringing the show to JMMS. The cost is normally \$350 to bring the show to the school. Since Ms. Uranga is directing they are willing to charge \$280. The play is 45 minutes to an hour long. Would teachers sign up to bring classes? It would be in the cafeteria. The audience should be 150 students.

Crystal was concerned about the JMMS drama students becoming discouraged after watching the play. However, Ms. Uranga feels it would be more inspirational to our students.

Mandy mentioned that the group has come to JMMS in the past. Olivia said she would see if choir money or student funds could be used. Olivia doesn't want to charge students for the fee.

Alexandra will put up a sign-up to go out to teachers. She will try to get things organized so it just starts at the beginning of a period.

Vote: Unanimously passed

### **Agenda Topic: 2026-2027 Budget (Notes, not complete budget)**

We are an emerging school. There will be someone from the district to talk to us about what that means.

- 21.4 FTE for Gen Ed in 26-27 (Actual staffing will be 21 FTE for GE)
- We will lose a .5 Gen Ed FTE for next year.
- We will keep a 2.5 music (Orchestra, Band, Choir .5)
- We will have 1.0 librarian
- 2.0 Counselors
- .5 Nurse (but she will remain full time because the other .5 is paid for by a Medicaid grant)
- 1.0 nurse assistant

School Year Enrollment for next year is around 557

Special Education:

- SE 12.5 FTE
  - Net loss of 1.5 FTE
- 1.0 SES Teacher
- 1.0 Head Teacher
- 6 EA's
- 2 SES EA
  - Net loss of 2 EA's
- Gifted Ed. 2.0 (Stays the same)

Administration

- No changes (Dean is funded differently)

Non-Salary: \$47,554

- Net loss of \$10,000
- However, \$10k goes to CTE separate from this money
- Breakdown available upon request

Promising Practices:

- Student Success Systems Resource Teacher
- Transformational Coach
- High Dosage Tutoring

At Risk Budget Allocation choices:

- 1.0 Interventionist (Gen Ed)
- 1.0 FTE RPC Coordinator EA (Would be more proactive. Would be circle time in classes, etc. )
- 1.0 FTE Computer Tech

We can pick **one** of these:

- .5 Student Success Systems Resource Teacher
- .5 Dean of Students
- .5 Leadership Teacher

Other At-Risk Budget Allocations are included: such as AVID, Substitutes, WEB, Professional Development-Non Teacher

Admin mentioned several times that there is an achievement gap at JMMS. There should be a proactive approach to closing the gap. It is recommended by the district that we should have a full time interventionist. Our Yazzi-Martinez group is behind on their math and reading. However, the interventionist would only work with the GE students.

**The IC feels strongly that we need a Dean full time and .5 interventionist. The IC was unanimous: all 15 members who voted would prefer a dean. (Admin. abstained)**

Christine brought up that middle school is literally being redesigned. In the redesign they are working to get rid of deans. The job will become a Student Success Systems Resource Teacher.

Russ has brought up that he has been working to be very pro-active and not reactive. He has come to classes multiple times to be around the school. He feels that some of his actions may be tied to the fact we have less referrals this year.

Olivia wants the discussion around positions to be clear that there is no discussion around the person, but the positions.

Debbie brought up the fact that safety is more important to learning on Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs. We won't see success if we don't have students feeling safe.

Geoff brought up the fact that he knows that Russ is a very proactive person and has filled the position really well. Kids respond to him well. He feels he has a healthy relationship with the kids. He wants to make it known that the Russ is important.

Next Meeting: March 12