



School Advisory Council Minutes of Meeting

Mountain Road Elementary

DATE: **2/25/25**

MEETING TIME: **7:00**

MEETING LOCATION: **MRES PLC Room**

MEETING CALLED BY	Erica Morrie, Principal
TYPE OF MEETING	School Council-Regular Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Erica Morrie
NOTE TAKER	Kristen Mitchell, Secretary
BOARD ATTENDEES	Tiffany Cothorn, Assistant Principal Meq Quinn, Chairperson, Meredith Burnthall Assistant Chairperson Evan Wagner, Board Member Lindsay Baker, Board Member Kristy Reidy-Board Member
GUEST ATTENDEESS	Jennifer Mizzell, ILS

Agenda Items

- Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag
- Approval of Agenda/Minutes
- CCSD Key Priorities
- MRES Updates
- Curriculum/Data Updates
- CCSD News and Updates
- PTA News
- Questions?



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TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **Call to Order/Approvals** PRESENTER: **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION	• Call to Order • Pledge to the Flag • Approval of Agenda • Approval of Minutes		
CONCLUSIONS	• Agenda Approved • Minutes Approved		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
None			

TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **CCSD Key Priorities** PRESENTER: **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION	CCSD Key Priorities-Elevating the Excellence		
	• Reminded-copy of Key Priorities were provided at last meeting, 11/19/24 • Reviewed Key Priorities-CCSD is still pursuing all 4 Key Priorities ○ Standard 1-Student Achievement ○ Standard 4-Resources ▪ Currently, audit in the county to determine tried and true resources, needs to be successful resources going forward, are resources aligned to standards ▪ ELA-CCSD is adopting a new ELA curriculum-preview sessions have taken place, input, RFP-working to determine best resources for our CCSD needs ▪ Math-Possible iready change-iReady does not align with new Georgia standards ▪ Been digging into CCSD Benchmarks to determine needs of students and what aligns with Georgia Standards ○ Standard 2-Governance and Board-in tune to priorities to support CCSD vision-determining cohesive plan for literacy		
CONCLUSIONS			
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None			

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TOPIC: **MRES Updates**

PRESENTER: **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION	MRES Updates	
● Playground Updates ○ Looked at Kindergarten playground-need to decide if concrete with pad/rubber mulch/regular mulch ▪ Asked School Council feedback-concern expressed with concrete with little kids ▪ County will pay for regular mulch ▪ Rubber mulch must be paid for with collected funds ○ Grading is already done/fence is already there-need to determine how do we want the playground to look for littles and be safest-multiple slides, climbing piece ● Fun Run- Fun Run-kick off 3/14, ends 3/26 ○ Sponsored by ACTIVATE-non-profit organization, up-front cost, character base driven/positive affirmations ○ Goal \$20,000-can get loan for rest to pay off-interest not charged through county, possible foundation help-see below ○ Discussion of a Sequoyah Zone Foundation ▪ Foundation that supports needs of schools ▪ Doesn't have to go through county ▪ All Sequoyah Zone schools contribute to upfront costs ▪ Have 2 community members selected for MRES ▪ Foundation is a global scale-reach out further than our local community for support-pull and generate through networking with bigger businesses ▪ Can write grant for funding-allows networking with bigger businesses ▪ Discussed with PTA -PTA can still get smaller/local business support ▪ Sequoyah Zone community event allows funding, stay on board for one year-only Sequoyah Zone schools ▪ Everyone ends up at Sequoyah High School and reaps benefits of the foundation-building for community- on needs basis-takes burden off local community- Sequoyah Zone is more residential than business community ▪ Foundation discussion-started with CCSD Board-laying ground rules for Foundation at 1st meeting-Mrs. Morrie will get update at Principal meeting in March and send out update to School Council ● CCSD Relay for Life- April at Etowah River Park in Canton ○ MRES kicked off Relay for Life fundraising with Pajama Day, 2/24 ○ MRES Relay for Life team headed by Ms. Butera ○ Fundraising/community ideas-feedback? -send email to Mrs. Morrie ○ Council Board asked if Community members may join team-agreed yes to reach out ● Staff Appreciation 3.24-3.28 ○ Reviewed that Staff Appreciation includes all MRES staff members ○ Mrs. Morrie discussed Staff Appreciation week with PTA President		
CONCLUSIONS		
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None		

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TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **Curriculum/ Data Updates** PRESENTER **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION	Curriculum/ Data Updates
	• Review ELA SIP Goals and Action Steps ○ Reviewed SIP Goals-goal to increase Milestones Level 3(on) and 4(above) grade level ○ SIP focus has been literacy with intentional action steps-unpack standards/added annotate text in all classes K-5 ○ Admin/ILS are completing instructional rounds in classrooms to determine glows/grows with literacy and annotation ○ Morphology-staff completed strategy-based PD 2/25-included special areas ▪ Includes any subject/specials for vocabulary development ▪ Can be a lesson or quick teachable moment- explicit with instruction with vocabulary before/after lesson ▪ Will have a staff PD follow up in March • Math/Attendance Goals-Spring Semester Update ○ Math goals and action steps will be developed in March ▪ Board looks at goals/School develops action steps ▪ Breaks down goals percentage by amount of students ○ Attendance has improved/Tardies still a concern • Benchmark Updates ○ Data Dig on/above grade level-no writing but analysis of written text within Star ○ Mid-Year Star Growth Report-Star is new program this year/Goal is growth ▪ K-1 Star Literacy Fall 63.8%-Winter 77.8% on or above ▪ 2-5 Star Reading/Comprehension Fall 72.1%-Winter 77.8% on or above • Looking for at least 10-point increase ▪ Mid-year Star Growth percentile is 35-65% of yearly growth • Star Literacy Growth Percentile: 66.7% scored on or above typical growth from fall • Star Reading Growth Percentile: 75.7% scored on or above typical growth from fall • Students below grade level-monitored through Tier process/IEP • Some with high achieving scores, so had low growth • Discussed supports/intentional practices to support students ▪ MRES had highest growth in Star Early Literacy and Reading in the district ○ Mid-Year iReady Growth Report ▪ K-5 iReady Math-students on or above grade level-Fall 29%-Winter 58% ▪ Mid-year iReady Growth 71% of students scored on or above typical growth from fall ▪ Always analyzing data-every test score counts-targeting all subgroups ▪ iReady does adjust in difficulty due to being at mid year ▪ iReady doesn't align to teaching order of our standards but does align well to Milestones ○ ELA Standards completely changing-GADOE has focused on quality of standards versus quantity-deeper DOK levels-comprehension/fluency skills



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None		

TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **CCSD News and Updates** PRESENTER **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION	CCSD News and Updates		
	● CCSD Budget ○ Shared Budget Development Page on CCSD home page ▪ Includes all information-videos/meeting ○ Reviewed Local Funding-previously shared with staff at staff meeting ▪ Residential versus business-based community ○ OPT Out of Floating Homestead Exemption ▪ Reviewed vote to opt out and impact ▪ Updated on how to get information and where it is located ○ Reviewed Board Member Briefs ▪ Reviewed how to find Board Meeting information ▪ Streamed live ▪ Includes meeting minutes/agenda is listed ▪ Agenda listed ● New Board Member for our Zone ○ John Harmon, resigned ○ Chance Bean, new Board Member for our Zone		
CONCLUSIONS			
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None			

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TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **PTA News** PRESENTER: **Meredith Bernthall (Board Member)**

DISCUSSION PTA News		
• Sweetheart Ball-Amazing turnout, record attendance, great fundraiser ○ Any feedback? ○ Shared concerns ○ May need to communicate expectations to community before the dance ○ Promote as family event ○ Possible name change ○ Possible bigger location due to huge turnout (no basketball games took place that night) ○ Food may need to be separate from dance floor-no gummies/sticky-choking hazards-sit/eat area and dance area • PTA General meeting will take place on 3/4 before Stem Night ○ PTA Mini grant provided to Mrs. Cabrera • PTA Bingo March 7 ○ Baskets in media center- to showcase ○ Prizes geared towards kids		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE
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TIME ALLOTTED TOPIC: **Questions?** PRESENTER: **Erica Morrie (Principal)**

DISCUSSION Questions?	
• No further questions presented. • Meeting called to an end 8:07 AM and adjourned.	
CONCLUSIONS	• Next meeting- ○ Will discuss ELA standards presentation with Mrs.Mizzell, ○ Possible data/growth share if Spring Benchmarks completed ○ Reflect on community events