



MOUNTAIN SKY SITE COUNCIL

Site Council Meeting Minutes – December 5, 2017, 5:30 p.m., Library

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Attending: Kellie White (scribe), Perry Mason (Facilitator), Karen Huttenmeyer, Christie Parker, Erica Smith, Bob Shockley, Mary Ashley, Amy Mehr, Brianne Roth, and John Mospan, Guest: DeAnna Handorf

1.0 Opening Comments

1.1 Review of Process – Math department – Deanna Handorf, Math Department Lead

1.1.1 Explained new math training. Several staff members are a part of the training that is working towards the best first instruction strategies for math teachers

1.1.2 DeAnna Handorf was introduced and began to explain how the math program at MS has begun to work

1.1.2.1 Teacher push-ins, each teacher has an intervention hour, SPED math teacher does a push-in to assist, advanced program requires students to be dual-enrolled in their math classes to push forward

1.1.2.2 CMP3 program was reviewed and reworked this summer, they broke each type of questions down to discuss each issue

1.1.2.3 The program is designed to create discussion and encourage problem solving. Giving the right answer is not the purpose of the process. Understanding the process and explore the math and why a formula works the way it does is more purposeful in the end. Using “productive struggle”.

1.1.2.4 Questions were posed about the intervention process, and how students were selected. It was explained that the students were chosen based on data or skill and that it is used for students struggling on that given task.

2.0 Review minutes from meeting

2.1 Reviewed

2.2 Erica Smith moved to accept, Mary Ashley seconded, all agreed

3.0 Old business

3.1 Cell Tower considerations:

3.1.1 None at this time

3.2 Undesignated Tax Credit

3.2.1 Junior Achievement - follow up

3.2.1.1 Tax Credit was not used after all, funding was taken care of elsewhere

3.2.1.2 All involved were supportive and enjoyed it

3.2.1.3 JA has become an issue to fund and make reasonable for the school to participate. The solution for getting the same curriculum across will be to use the Entrepreneurial department to use students to design a scaled down program for students to participate in. This would resolve the time issue, and transportation time and cost issues.

- 3.3 *EAGLE Award – none*
Earns respect by respecting others first
Acts on initiative
Goes the extra mile
Leads when a leader is needed, follows when others need to lead
Encourages others to fly

4.0 *New business*

4.1 *Staffing:*

4.1.1 *Kristin Lee – 8th Grade science*

4.1.2 *Taking over midyear for an 8th grade science teacher*

4.1.3 *Has been at Mt. Sky through the iTeach program since January 2017, administration and faculty are confident students will be well prepared*

4.2 *Proposition 206 – potential considerations for WESD (minimum wage act)*

4.2.1 *Increase in salary will adjust school budgets, and has the potential to affect positions that may have to be reduced*

4.2.2 *\$4.2 Million must be found within the budget to adjust the compression and increase of minimum wage salaries*

4.3 *Upcoming Events – Winter Extravaganza Dec. 18 with NJHS Blood Drive*

4.3.1 *Book Fair will be available*

4.3.2 *Blood Drive will be present, volunteers and blood donors are needed*

4.4 *Assessment Testing Day format*

4.4.1 *District Assessments are 2-3 times per semester*

4.4.2 *Shift in scheduling to make the testing schedule more like the AZMerit schedule to relieve the amount of testing days*

4.4.3 *Several options were discussed and a resolution came to have testing within one day and give students 20 minute class periods*

5.0 *Parent/member/visitors comments:*

5.1 *Kellie White mentioned news on musical auditions*

5.2 *Karen Huttenmeyer presented several items*

5.2.1 *Winter Break begins the 22nd, the newsletter states the 25th, will be communicated correctly to parents*

5.2.2 *Concern over substitute money, parents commenting that several students have had a teacher out and teachers come in and out of the room to cover*

5.2.2.1 *Perry Mason explained that the internal coverage*

5.2.3 *Dance: when, where, notification for parents*

5.2.3.1 *Permission slips for students will go home Wednesday, Dec. 6th. Dance is at 4:30pm, students cannot enter the dance past 5pm. Lasts till 6:30pm*

5.2.4 *Issue with rumors of inappropriate photos being sent around to the students through cell phones, discussion of the school's responsibility in such situations*

5.3 *Amy Mehr brought up issue of technology being a danger to student*

5.3.1.1 *Proposal of the idea of bringing in a third party to present on the misinformation and dangers of internet and technology, or incorporating it into the back to school night.*

6.0 *Meeting adjourn*