

## **MHS Community Council Meeting Minutes | January 24, 2023**

**Council Members Attending:** Diana Windley, Cheyla Mills, Raelene Blocker, Jeff Kelsey, Shana Croft, Natalie Anderton, Brennen Fuller, Cyndi Flitton, Jim Ellis, Mindy Savage, Kade Morrell

**Visitors:** Ronald Blunck

Meeting called to order at 6:34 a.m. by Diana Windley.

### **Consent Items:**

Minutes for the November 22, 2022 monthly Community Council meeting. Motion to approve by Jeff Kelsey with a 2nd from Mindy Savage. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Agenda Items:**

#### ***Committee Reports***

Policy (Mindy Savage): The committee discussed a new policy that will affect Social Studies Curriculum.

Curriculum (Beth Belinski):

Safety (Jeff Kelsey): The committee continued to reviewed evacuation drills and safety plans for each school. MHS has formed a committee that is working on a plan. MHS has been piloting a platform that allows

Transportation (Mindy Savage): No meeting

Technology (Mindy Savage): The district is reviewing the bid for door locks, cameras etc.

Wellness (Raelene Blocker): No meeting

Human Sexuality (Beth Belinski, Cheyla Mills): No meeting

#### ***National Honor Society (NHS)***

MHS Community Council recommends adding a section for National Honor Society in the handbook and including a live link to the bylaws.

## **Trust Lands**

No changes have been made to the plan since the last meeting.

We reviewed a spending analysis for future years from Mr. Wilson. Committee members are encouraged to review the recommendations before the February meeting.

The February meeting will focus on developing the 2023-2024 Trust Land Plan. The Plan should be finalized in the March meeting.

Diana brought up a concern about using Trust Land Funds for salaries as a long term solution. She asked when the district would take over those salaries. School Board member Blunck explained that the district allocates funds on a per student basis. (The WPU is the weighted pupil unit. It's the funding each school gets from the state per enrolled student in the district. That's how they pay for teachers. The WPU is flawed because it assumes class sizes are all equal. But, there can be 10 kids in a class which throws off the average. Essentially, a class with 10 kids is more expensive than a class with 30 kids because of the WPU.) Due to the size of MHS and the desired electives the funds are not available to pay those salaries from the district allocated funds. The School Board is working toward paying the full salary for the Instructional Coach. He also mentioned that due to the increasing funds from Trust Lands the State School Board and Legislature view those funds as part of the funding allocated for education.

School Board Member Blunck suggested that the administration present the WPU budget and information on class sizes to the Community Council for feedback.

### ***Topics for Future Meetings***

- 2023-2024 Trust Lands Plan

Motion to adjourn by Shana Croft with a 2nd from Mindy Savage. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 a.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 28 at 6:30 a.m. at MHS Main Office