

## **School Community Council @ Mapleton Junior High,**

Date: Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 Time: 2:50 pm Place: MJHS Conference Room

### **In attendance:**

School Members: Nate Whitney, Keith Richards, Mike Adams, Julie Hammari, Bonny Groneman

Community Members: Patrick Hagen, KayLynn Reed, Eric Wilson, Suzanne Jackman

- Meeting called to order by co-chair (Patrick) at 2:57 pm.
- Minutes from last meeting summarized by Patrick
  - No corrections from minutes
  - Eric motioned to approve minutes, Nate seconded, all in favor
- Information for the Council
  - Mustang Time Activities-Mike
    - Reminder: Mustang Time is a Social Skill/Character Ed Lesson each Monday in 2nd period class
    - Will be reviewing school and district policies next week with new term/semester
    - Since last meeting, topics include: Veterans Day, substance abuse, student led conferences (how to facilitate that meeting), sportsmanship, finishing strong (making priorities and how to talk to a teacher)
    - Mustang time has helped in getting information out to students to make sure they are aware about certain ideas/concepts involving problem areas
    - Assembly with Ben Kjar--speaker talking about how to overcome difficulties
    - In three weeks: NetSmartz assembly about computer, social media, and Internet safety (fulfills Attorney General's requirement for students)
    - Council was asked if there were any specific topics they felt should be covered in a Mustang Time
      - Bonny--
        - Three top things parents were concerned with: bullying, technology, and anxiety (Deseret News).
        - All need to be more kind. Being able to experience being kind.
      - Patrick--
        - Everyone is facing challenges, have students know how to take note of others and doing something about it
        - Does school focus on self-help, within the school, or also with community? Answer from Mike--we also usually bring

in what students do in the home or with youth groups or friends.

- Realize everyone is a real person
- KayLynn--
  - Question about bringing in outside speakers
  - Lifting up others
- Suzanne--
  - Looking outside of yourself (beyond just empathy)
- Submit an email if something comes up or if an idea comes to mind
- Term 2 Reward Activity - Nate
  - Will do 3.5 GPA and above treat (candy bar) and certificates
  - Grades finalized by teachers on Tuesday, Jan 15
- Review School Improvement Goals-Nate
  - Trustlands is the funding to support the school goals. Has more than doubled in last seven years
  - School report card
    - No letter grades
    - Looking at 1) achievement, 2) growth, 3) English learner progress, in addition to self-reported indicators (not submitted as decided as a district) and other measures (attendance)
    - Comparing MJHS to other schools with similar demographics
      - MJHS is typical in achievement and growth and commendable with English Learner Progress
    - Achievement
      - English and Math decreased slightly in percentage of students testing as proficient, but still about state and district averages
      - Science had a slight increase and is also above state and district averages
    - We have things to celebrate (being above state and district averages), but we also have areas to improve academically--can identify and apply specific funding to support this growth
    - Growth
      - Comparing students with similar scores at one school to how students at another school are improving from year to year
      - Low in English and math growth and typical growth in science

- Below state and district averages in English and math and slightly above with science
- Question asked about how this data is used when talking to teachers and implementing strategies to improve scores (Patrick)
  - Can free up funding to support teachers in programs they would like to use, professional development, etc.
  - Let teachers find ways that work for them, but making them aware of data and programs available
  - Are there other programs or ideas we should focus on in spending time and money to support improvement? Are there things/resources we already have available and not using?
  - Many things/programs are district controlled
- English Learner Progress
  - Doing really well, at least ten percentage points higher than district and state averages
  - Discuss Changes/New Goals for Next School Year
    - Identify Academic Needs
    - Discuss Potential Action Plan/Budget
- Items from the Community
  - Conversation about amount of phones in the classroom (Patrick)
- Items from Principal--none

Patrick moved to adjourn meeting at 4:04 pm, KayLynn seconded, all in favor

Next meeting will be in February