

**Mountain Vista High School
School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 6, 2012
MVHS Library Conference Room

X	Debi DeLoney	N	Alan Long		
X	Dixon Cravens	X	Christine Harris	X	Dana White
X	Lisa Cohen	X	Staci Stech	X	Mike Weaver
X	Curt Coffman	X	Michelle Gallagher		
X	Margi Froechtenigt	X	Emily Wagner		
N	Paula DeShetler	X	Carolyn Mustin		

Other guests: Laura Mutton

X indicates attendance

N indicates pre-notification of absence

Welcome and Introductions – Dixon Cravens

- Staci Stech and Michelle Gallagher, newly chosen Teacher representatives were introduced.

Review of Norms – Dixon Cravens

- Begin and end on time.
- Share the air.
- Be cautious about bringing personal agenda items to the meeting.
- Use the issue bin for items you'd like discussed.

Principal's Report – Mike Weaver

- Solid start to the year; as good as it can be given the challenges this year
- Vision for World Class Education & Choice Programming
 - Dynamic work happening
 - State of Colorado has drilled down to the important issues
 - Standards for every class by tab
 - 21st Century Skills Integration
 - Collaboration
 - Critical Thinking
 - Communication
 - Creativity

- Largest enrollment ever @ Mountain Vista High School – 2076 students, of which 543 are freshmen, also the largest class in the school's history.
- Some adjustments to staff made at the end of last year to accommodate the new 6 of 8 schedule for this school year.
- The Freshman Seminar is a work in progress. Students that need extra help were identified coming out of middle school.

SAC Election – Dixon Cravens

- Must take place by October 1st, 2012. One voting member's term has expired and must be replaced by election.
- Ballot bios are due back by September 21st. Voting will take place the week of September 24th.
- Margi Froechtenigt will chair the October meeting if necessary. Dixon Cravens will run again.

Approval of SAC Bylaws – Dixon Cravens

- Bylaws were accepted with minor changes. New bylaws will be placed in SAC handbooks and distributed at the October meeting

SAC Responsibilities and Process – Dixon Cravens

- The SAC meets the first Thursday every month (with the exception of January 2013) at 7:00am in the library.
- Calendar of Responsibilities – is a guideline and will be adhered to.
- On the DCSD website, information about SAC is under the Board of Education tab and contains everything one needs to know.

School Improvement Process – Mike Weaver

- The Unified Improvement Plan was reviewed. Mountain Vista is a Performance School:
 - Exceeds Academic Achievement
 - Meets Academic Growth
 - Meets Academic Growth gaps
 - Exceeds Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness
- Making adequate yearly growth is hard if you are already a very high performing school.
- TCAP scores were handed out at Back to School Night; those that weren't picked up will be mailed to parents. TCAP will be in place for three more years, and then PARK, a national test will be administered. Juniors may be added to the mix at that time, though it would be a hard sell.

Open Forum

- Laura Mutton, President of the Strong Schools Coalition, announced the TCAP Informational Seminar on September 29th from 2:45-4:45pm at the Highlands Ranch Library. Session 1 will focus on parents and interpreting your child's TCAP growth

scores; Session 2 will focus on schools and understanding school performance and supporting the improvement efforts at the school.

- Carolyn Mustin is working on our behalf for better school publicity.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:40am.
Respectfully submitted by Dana L. White

Future Meetings:

Next SAC meeting will be held on October 4th @ 7:00am in the Library.

Important Dates:

DAC Meetings (held in Wilcox Board Room, Castle Rock): *DAC Rep and SAC chair must attend; all SAC members encouraged to attend.*

- October 9, 2012
- November 13, 2012
- December 11, 2012
- January 8, 2013