



**Mountain Vista High School (Joint Meeting with MRMS)  
School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, February 4, 2010  
MVHS Commons Area

X	Angelico, Michael	X	Jhaveri Shivani	N	Simmons, Jennifer
X	Cravens, Dixon	X	Johnson Steve	X	Thomas, Rich
N	DeShetler, Paula	X	Kerns-Lynch Deborah	X	White, Dana
X	Foard, Tisha	X	Morris, Vicky	X	Zynda-Otsuki, Priscilla
X	Froechtenigt, Margi	X	Mustin, Carolyn		
X	Heck, Scott	X	Kathy Nodland		
N	Hurlburt, Lynne	X	Rohlfing, Ron		

X indicates attendance  
N indicates pre-notification of absence

**Other Attendees:**

- Clay Abl, Director of Schools for feeder area
- Cliff Stahl, Board of Education
- Scott Braun, District Advisory Council

**Review of Norms** – Rich Thomas

- Begin and end on time (7:00 am – 8:15 am)
- Share the air
- Work with stated agenda items
- Be cautious about bringing personal agenda items to the meeting. (Have methods for “taking things offline” through sub-committees or by assigning an offline discussion with the appropriate person)
- Use an issue bin. (Document items on yellow stickies to be put into the issue bin for future discussion)

**PowerPoint Presentation – State of the District**– Steve Johnson & Kara Shepard

DCSD is preparing to reduce its budget for the 2010/2011 school year by at least \$30 million. This is in addition to the \$60K and \$80K (MRMS & MVHS) already returned this year due to lower enrollment than projected. Each school will lose between \$200-\$400 per student next year due to state cuts.

- A slide presentation was shown on the State of the District: the three budgeting models, reduction considerations, revenue considerations and the proposed timeline.
- Some reductions being considered are: central services; a decrease in school budgets, administration and support, feeder budgets, furlough days, employee compensation/benefits and a reorganization of capital reserve fund.

- Revenue generating considerations include student-imposed technology fee and a transportation fee:
  - There may be increased athletic fees for high school students..
  - Middle schools could go from interscholastic to intramural type activities. Right now it costs about \$800K/year to offer interscholastic activities (coaches, busses, referees, etc.)
- Mr. Johnson commented on the positive relationship between MVHS and MRMS, and how their goals are aligned.
- Mr. Johnson stated that there will not/can not be a change to the school SIP, however some other things may have to suffer, i.e. class sizes, security, etc.

### **Community Survey Results – Steve Johnson**

- To date, the Community Survey has yielded 14,649 responses: 88% parents, 5% non-parent adults, 5% teachers and 2% students.
- A question was asked about the transportation fee, and would it be per child or per family? Cliff Stahl (BOE) said it had not yet been quantified and that right now BOE is trying to determine the “tolerance for a fee” and not the specifics.

### **Public Comments – Rich Thomas**

- A question was asked about a cap on athletic fees per family. Cliff Stahl answered the same as above. A parent voiced that there should not be a cap per family and that each student should pay a fee. Cliff said to assume no caps when answering question on the survey.
- A question was asked regarding a “tack on fee” for busses for those who want to pay, even though they don’t have kids that ride. Conversely, could parent’s whose kids are outside the bus radius pay to ride a school bus?
- There was overwhelming support to protect the teachers and the classroom sizes.
- Both SACs were asked to maintain a voice for families who cannot afford the increased fees.
- A final question was asked as to how we (as a community) can get the word out to those residents who do not have students in the school district, and get these people to be more supportive of the issues facing the district?

### **Breakout into groups & discussion/vote on Budget Reduction issues: MVHS and MRMS – Carolyn Mustin (MVHS) and Dixon Cravens (MRMS)**

MVHS SAC voted on eight survey points, to ensure our voice is heard with regard to our individual school’s budget priorities. Please see the attached file for more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dana White on February 8, 2010

**Future Meetings:**

March 4 @ 7:00 am                      Library Conference Room

DAC Regional Forum – open to the public  
Tuesday February 9, 2010 6:30PM at Rock Canyon HS