

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

Thursday, May 5, 2011  
MVHS Library Conference Room

X	Cravens, Dixon	X	Hitchingham, Michael	X	Mustin, Carolyn
X	DeShetler, Paula	N	Hurlburt, Lynne	X	Nodland, Kathy
X	Doherty, Edna	X	Jhaveri, Shivani	X	Thomas, Rich
X	Froechtenigt, Margi	X	Long, Alan	N	White, Dana
N	Heck, Scott	X	Mires, Whitney	N	Zynda-Otsuki, Priscilla
N	Hergett, Jake	N	Morris, Vicky		

Other guests:

- 1) Michael Weaver, New Principal of Mountain Vista High School
- 2) Susie Durdy, Secretary
- 3) Rob Ceglie, Administrative Dean

X indicates attendance

N indicates pre-notification of absence

**Review of Norms** – Rich Thomas

- Begin and end on time
- 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)

**Special Guest: Mike Weaver, New Principal of MVHS**

- Mike is very excited to be at MVHS as he feels it is an excellent community school. Allison Olsen is taking his place as the new principal at Bear Canyon Elementary.
- So far he has met with Susie Durdy and Edna Doherty, as well as other admin. He also spent time getting to know the faculty.
- His priorities at this point are to develop relationships and build a level of trust; focus on teaching; establishing unity and cohesiveness; maintain a small town feel and work on school spirit.
- STEM – some things have not been fully accepted by the District so they will not happen now. We are limited by space constraints, i.e. we only have one lab. Someone

questioned whether or not the childcare space could be used more wisely. STEM is a theme throughout our feeder.

- Rich Thomas' position will not be replaced. Rob Ceglie, new AP for next year will take on some of the tasks. Staff development and critical thinking will be re-assigned.
- There is still a good deal of bullying happening at MVHS, mostly among girls. Some students may not feel comfortable going to counselors. As most bullying is occurring in the hallways between classes, teachers do not see it and therefore are powerless to help. A suggestion was made to utilize Connect classes to address this issue.
- How do we get incoming freshmen involved in things? An Activity Fair was suggested.

### **Celebrations – Alan Long**

- After Prom went well this year; the use of the breathalyzer has made a huge difference.
- Academic Night – 73 students had a 3.5-3.749 GPA; 69 students had a 3.75-4.0 and 55 students had a 4.01 and above.
- Other celebrations – the MVHS girls soccer team and other teams are doing really well.

### **Overview of Emergency Plan – Rob Ceglie**

- Most things are already in place. There are four main points:
  - Evacuation & Assemble – fire drills and re-assembling on the football field.
  - Reverse Evacuation – outside to inside.
  - Lockdowns – All doors are locked but inside the building, things function normally. An example of this would be for wild animal sightings, sniffing dogs, etc.
  - Severe Weather Plan – students are to go to specific places to get away from danger. All teachers have a red folder that outlines what to do and where to go.
- There are instances where we will be an evacuation site for another school(s).

### **Preview of School Registration Process for 2011-12 – Susie Durdy**

- Registration has been online for the past few years and has gone smoothly. There will be check-in days for all students, pictures will be taken that day and there will be computers available for parents that do not have access to one at home.
- On-line check-in will be July 13 – 27, 2011.
- August 8<sup>th</sup> will be first day of school for freshmen and new students; August 9<sup>th</sup> for everyone else.
- Summer hours will be posted on the website soon.
- Fundraising and an activity fair were discussed – possibly taking place on August 1<sup>st</sup> @ check-in.

### **School Update – Alan Long, Edna Doherty**

- School Website Issues
  - Filter issues with district – working on it. Website is not available within school.
  - Access points will be installed soon; they have been ordered
  - Graduation is @ 2:00pm on Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> @ Red Rocks

### **SAC Election Information – Carolyn Mustin**

- Six open positions, four to be appointed by the principal. Dixon Cravens, Paula DeShetler and Jake Hergett will all return.
- Bios will be collected soon from people who will be running
  - Only SAC related information – brief
  - 50 words or less
- Email blast with bios and a button to vote included with bios, so voting can take place online.
- New members will start at September, 2011 meeting; August meeting will be with old members.
- SAC positions available are: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Recorder, DAC Representative.

*The meeting was adjourned @ 8:25am. Respectfully submitted by Dana L. White  
Next meeting will be August 4, 2011 in the library.*