

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

Thursday, September 8, 2011  
MVHS Library Conference Room

X	Dixon Cravens	X	Meyers, Cassi	X	White, Dana
N	DeShetler, Paula	X	Mires, Whitney	X	Zynda-Otsuki, Priscilla
X	Froechtenigt, Margi	X	Mustin, Carolyn		
X	Heck, Scott	X	Nodland, Kathy		
X	Hergett, Jake	X	Michael Weaver		
X	Long, Alan	X	Shepherd, Kara		

Other guests:

- 1) Christine Harris

X indicates attendance

N indicates pre-notification of absence

**Review of Norms** – Alan Long

- 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).

**Celebrations** – Mike Weaver

- The start of the school year has been surprisingly uneventful and smooth, with no major issues!

**SAC Election Information** – Carolyn Mustin

- SAC Election Timeline – bios due September 9, 2011. Ballots will be on website from 9/19 – 9/23. Parents will be notified by email and website.
- First meeting with new members will be Thursday, October 6, 2011.
- SAC handbooks are being updated and will be distributed at the October meeting.

### **Approval of SAC Bylaws** – Carolyn Mustin

- SAC Bylaws must be approved every year; they were amended three years ago. The approval of bylaws was put to a motion and approved.

### **Principals Report** – Mike Weaver

- Start of the school year has a strategic plan or a “roadmap for the district.”
- Three commitments that address parents, students, employees and community:
  - Choice – Providing each child the maximum opportunity for success.
  - World Class Education – Achieving sustainable learning for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
  - System Performance – Defining and measuring what matters the most. What are we doing to make sure kids want to stay here, or come back if they leave? How will we move from great to greater?
- Methods of Communication – Our new district website is awesome! Vista’s homepage is very user friendly!
  - Facebook accounts
  - Tweets
  - Friday thoughts
  - Mike Weaver’s email list
  - “Breaking News” Link takes you right to vistanow.org, the school’s newsletter, however it may need to be put somewhere else to be more noticeable...perhaps on the landing page.
- Strategic Plan – Bond and Mill Levy – will be on ballot in November. How can we get to people and educate them on what the district will lose if it doesn’t pass? To clarify, the bond is for capital improvements and new schools; the mill levy is to offset day to day operations.
- Voters will also be selecting new BOE members.

### **Assessment Data** – Mike Weaver, Alan Long

- CSAP results were normal but mixed. Reading jumped a lot, and Math scores were above district and state levels with 60% proficient and advanced. It’s good but not good enough. The composite ACT score was 23.8, the top in the district and the state.
- AP stats – 1,011 students enrolled in AP classes; 76% with a pass rate of those taking the test, which shows the rigor of college level courses.
- There are currently nine ACC courses currently offered at Vista for college credit.

### **Budget Overview** – Mike Weaver, Alan Long

- 2031 students enrolled currently, with a \$100.00/student reduction in dollars coming in. Mountain Vista broke even, due to an increase in enrollment.
- The freshman and sophomore classes are large this year.

- Staff changes – two English positions were filled; lost two deans and 2 ½ bodies in the front office. Mountain Vista has no Building Resource Teacher (BRT) now that Rich has retired. Those duties are being assumed by assistant principals.

**UIP/School Improvement Plan** – Alan Long

- On-track for the most part.
- UIP due in March, 2012.

**Leadership Update** – Jake Hergett

- ***Fire and Ice*** is the theme for this year's homecoming celebration. There will be class competitions the entire week, with a trophy awarded at the end. Kids will be judged in Connect every day. Visit the website for more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Dana L. White*

**Future Meetings:**

Next meeting will be October 6, 2011 in the library.