

# Memorial Composite High School School Council Meeting Minutes March 20, 2023

**Attending:** Ms. Jensen (Principal), Karissa Sparling (Chairperson), Mr. McCann (Board Trustee), Ms. Miller (Recording Secretary), Mr. Stuckey (Teacher), Laurie Haak, Nok Sloan, Norman Ion, Cst. Hinman

### 1. Call to Order

a. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Karissa Sparling.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

a. The agenda was approved by Nok Sloan.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

a. The February 27 2023 minutes were approved by Laurie Haak.

## 4. Presentation by Cst. Hinman, School Resource Officer

- a. The Constable discussed the good, the bad, and the ugly related to social media. Snapchat is missing safety features that other platforms have agreed to.
- b. The best recommendation is for kids to use social media in high traffic areas in the house, not behind closed doors. Being behind closed doors creates the opportunity for a crime to happen.

## 5. Correspondence

a. None

#### 6. Old Business

- a. ASCA Conference Resolutions
  - a. The Resolution Package 2023 was reviewed and the proposed resolutions were voted on. MCHS School Council recommends voting as follows:

P23-01 - ves

P23-02 - ves

P23-03 - yes

P23-04 - no

P23-05 - ves

P23-06 - no

b. The Administrative Resolutions and Special Resolution - yes

## 7. New Business

a. Staff appreciation

#### 8. Reports

#### a. Staff - Mr. Stuckey

- a. Our preliminary total for the bikeathon is just over \$35,500 raised for the Alberta Cancer Foundation this year! We had approximately 430 bikers this year.
- b. Upcoming events for Memorial Rotary Interact are volunteering with the Stony Plain Rotary Club to make meals for the homeless on March 24 and the Annual Pancake Breakfast on April 25th held in the Common Area.

- c. German 30 is going to Old Strathcona on Wednesday to check out various local German businesses. They will also be making Ostereier (painted Easter eggs) after Spring Break.
- d. Two teams of four from the Business Competition Club will be participating in the SAIT Case Clash, April 2-9. In this competition, students have the opportunity to develop teamwork skills, financial literacy, and awareness of a possible career path in business. Teams of four students will have a week to develop a meaningful solution to a business case topic that will be revealed on the orientation day. Cash prizes are available.
- e. Three teams of three from the Business Competition Club will also be traveling to Regina on May 3-6 to participate in the SBTA High School Case Competition. They will be competing for scholarships of up to \$8,000. Last year, one of our teams won!
- f. Handball has started which is a new team for Memorial.

### b. Principal Report - Ms. Jensen

- a. 2023-24 planning is underway. Registration closes on Friday, March 24. So far, we have 974 confirmed students with 342 current Grade 10 and 11s still to register. With these numbers, we are projecting over 1300 students next year. Budgeting starts after registration and staffing is reviewed.
- b. MCHS Highlights
  - 1. Drama attended a production of Addams Family at Horizon's Stage
  - 2. The MCHS Open House was on March 2. Many grade nine families had the opportunity to visit MCHS in person.
  - 3. The Robotics team went to a competition in Calgary.
  - 4. Five young women from the school were invited to the Chamber of Commerce Women of Influence Lunch and were invited to ask a nominee a question.
  - 5. The Entrepreneurship class went on a field trip to local businesses.
  - 6. Counselors visited the Grade 10 and 11 classes to discuss course selection which will be done after Spring Break.
  - 7. Fifteen students from the Leadership class, POC Talks, QSA, and Rotary Club were selected to attend the Horizon Leadership Conference in Onoway.
  - The MCHS Bikeathon had an amazing turn out on March 17. Over \$35000 was raised for Alberta Cancer Foundation.
  - The MCHS members of the football team visited Spruce Comp for a Grey Cup celebration as a former team was on the championship team.

#### c. Key Dates

#### March

- 21 Student Advisory Committee Meeting with the Board of Trustees
- 22 German 30 Field Trip
- 24 PD Day No classes
- 27-31 Spring Break

#### April

- 03-14 Next year Grade 11 & 12 course selections
- 03 G&G Exec Meeting 6:30 pm
- 05 Choir & Vocal Ensemble field trip to the St. Albert Music Festival
- 06 PSD Education Planning Day
- 07 Good Friday
- 10 Easter Monday
- 08 Deadline to sign up for Grad Performance Auditions
- 14 Grad Ceremony Auditions music room during the lunch hour
- 14 Anime Movie Night

- 19 Deadline to drop Semester 2 courses
- 20 Music Parents Meeting 7 pm
- 24 School Council 7 pm
- 25 Grad Assemby in Block 3 in the large gym for "M" yearbook photo
- 25 Rotary Pancake Breakfast

## c. School Trustee - Paul McCann

- This year will be an election budget. Extra funds are nice but makes it difficult to plan/build when funding fluctuates.
- b. There will be changes to the eligibility for bussing that will take place for the 2024/25 school year.
- c. Fees have been approved for next year. The only increase was in transportation.
- d. The Division is beginning to look at replacing SGCHS.
- e. The Outreach campuses will be consolidated to one location at CFL.
- f. The new name for the SPC replacement school will be Westview School.

## 9. Table Go Round

a. No items discussed.

## 10. Adjournment

a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17.

School Council Chair Karissa Sparling

Principal - Carolyn Jensen

# Next Meeting Dates - Monday at 7:00 - MCHS Common Area

- April 24, 2023
- May 29, 2023