

MMS SIT Meeting March 2, 2017

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•Approval of minutes - Minutes approved.

•Public Comments -

- ∞ Geoff Gentry - New Power Teacher Pro program. Mid-May the state will upgrade and we will have the ability to move towards this new release of Power Teacher. Power Teacher Pro is all within a web-site, teachers will no longer have to open the different gradebook. The program will also offer more features for teachers to be able to keep track of student work, attendance and both traditional and standards based report cards. Assignments can be given to particular students for differentiation. We want to make sure we roll it out at the right time so that assignments will be available for the next year. It sounds interesting and exciting!
- ∞ Rachel - Equity on school field trips, making certain scholarships and donations are offered on all permission slips. We need to make certain that the standard field trip form is used across all teams. Communication is key.

•Student Announcements - n/a

•PTA Announcements -

Efforts with BoxTops, Weaver Street and Harris Teeter are all helping with funding. The Hickory Tavern Fundraiser raised \$500. We need a parent volunteers for the 8th grade dance and the 8th grade promotion (possibly Mrs. Shoup). The March Madness celebration is currently being planned.

The breakfast next Thursday (for the delayed opening) will be cancelled.

•Chair Announcements -

We will need a parent chair and a teacher chair for next year. We should spread the news that we need new representatives and co-chairs.

•Principal's Announcements -

We requested capital budget requests which were not accepted - for a new theater and destruction of the team rooms. The team rooms are underutilized and not great space; it may not need a lot of work to make these into more usable spaces...Mr. Bales would like to find out why it would be difficult to take down the stairs.

PBIS celebration will be the day before Spring Break.

140 students are going to Disney. 34 kids are going to Washington DC.

We are getting new cameras (security cameras) the old cameras only work on PC's and we all have Macs. We will have more areas covered and with better technology.

The Day Without Women will be an optional work day.

Staffing - Mr. Bashford's last day was Tuesday. He is very passionate about this new position and it is a great fit for Mr. Bashford. Ms. Keenan's (adaptive curriculum) position will be filled this month with Ms. Stalker from Orange County. Ms. Boylan has filled the other adaptive curriculum classroom. We are currently missing a Program Facilitator. We have two openings for EC TA's.

FYI - The week after the last week of school there will be a Professional Development week so teachers can take Project Advance classes without the stress of teaching.

•**School Board Member Sharing** - Is there anyway we can consider moving the time or date of this meeting so make it more accessible? ***WE WILL START MEETING ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH INSTEAD OF THE FIRST. THIS MEANS WE WILL MEET ON APRIL 13TH AND MAY 25TH. (To accommodate the district recognition reception.)***

We will keep the time the same and if we need to change the time we can do that for next year.

At today's board meeting they will be taking the first look at the budget. They want to expand the budget to include more information on what the true needs are. We want the funding to focus more on the big picture, not each line item.

•**Items from January 2017 meeting:**

Will need to solicit proctors for EOG's...Geoff Gentry suggested a Google Form Sign-up to get things rolling.

Here is the Google Form to sign up:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNxvfVLhIGOQkGbVWAZAF4Ood4WLFs0-QggIFG_KBltfqrfq/viewform we will start publishing this when we get confirmation on what days we need proctors.

Parents/student mentoring ideas for next incoming class...possibly to include parents corner, Twitter Feed or get togethers. *We will be offering Middle School 101 again....*We want to really get the information out to the raising 6th graders and get the attendance numbers up.

•**Items for next agenda:**

none