MRMS SAC Meeting
7:00-8:15am
MRMS Library

Attendees:
Brian Singleton, Maria Novilla, Kelly Pointer, Troy McGill, Catherine Beck, Jennifer Giles, Sharon Kolleth, Brooke Stark, Yaron Starosta, Jerry Thomsen, Ryan West, Susie Morella, Kirk Harris, Karen Wendling

Call to order
Introductions

Approval of August meeting minutes:
- Motion to approve, seconded and approved
- Kelly proposed adding logo and names of attendees to future minutes

Staff Update:
- Parent Book Club starting Wed, Sept 25th from 12-1 at MRMS; reading "13 Things Mentally Strong Parents Don't Do"
- Cross Country team took first in districts; one volleyball team went undefeated; Fall play next weekend
- Group asked if additional sports/clubs could be reported on going forward

DAC Report:
- August meeting notes--see below
- September meeting notes--see below

Staff Report:
- Treena Hand, assistant principal, has taken a new position outside MRMS; there are several applicants from different education backgrounds; interviews to start next week; a SAC representative (or two) will be included on the interview team to represent parent community
- Still working to hire for security position

Principal Report:
- Parent Night on November 14th (6:00-7:30pm); presentation by Nick Thompson--licensed clinical social worker; works on empowering students and families around issues of anxiety, depression, substance abuse
- Student led conferences--Sept 18th and 19th 4:00-7:00pm
- Friday, 9/20--no school; staff will spend a half day at school reviewing CMAS data and curriculum and a half day with all district staff at Pepsi Center for district presentations/training/team building; (corporate sponsors paid for Pepsi Center); livestream available - check DCSD facebook page
- Strategic Plan rollout - Community member night at Chaparral HS on Sept 24th at 6pm https://www.dcsdk12.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=220484&pageId=8554722
- CMAS results:
  - Scores show that students are high achievers, but academic growth (although at a "meets" level currently) is lower than desired
  - Students with Disabilities are at a "does not meet" level (consistent across district and nation); District will have a federal plan to assist in this area
  - All in all, results are not bad, but definitely opportunities to grow
  - MRMS had 201 student opt-outs LA and Math; work will be done to increase student/parent engagement in efforts to lower this number
  - January 28th, 2020 DAC meeting--Matt Reynolds goes through every aspect of CMAS results in detail

**Budget Update:**
- MRMS received $4,164 per pupil from the district; projection was for 1102 students; actual count as of today is 1087 students; $41,640 will need to be paid back if numbers don't increase after official count
- Official count week is Sept 30th-October 4th--very important all students attend school!
- $19K capital budget--computer based funding only (from a grant)
- $47K Athletic budget--uniforms, equipment, etc
- $18K Clubs budget---money raised by clubs and used for their needs
- Carryover for next year will be more than what we had last year, minus deficit from student enrollment; budget discussion will be continued in the next meeting
- Question from SAC member about buses: Mr. Singleton explained buses for field trips are an internal school responsibility; for sports events they are a district responsibility; the main issue is not enough drivers

**Officers:**
- Chair signed by-laws
- Kathy updated new officer names to district website and posted in the front hallway

**Open forum:**
- Question about posting prices of food in lunch room (specifically snack items) so students can budget wisely; Kathy S. to send price list to parents and it will be posted in the cafeteria for students
- Discussion about lunch lines not allowing enough time to eat--Mr. Singleton said they do last call for food when there is 13 minutes left and there's never been kids waiting in line still at that time
• Issue was raised regarding parents dropping off and picking up students in Firelight neighborhood (Poston and Chadsworth Ave) and the concern for student safety—Mr. Singleton will look into this and try to provide security staff to watch this area to understand the situation.

• Issue was raised about "professional dress" policy and some parents being upset because they already purchased school clothes prior to dress policy being enacted; Mr. Singleton will look into this further. Stated that only extreme cases are being enforced at this time.