

# MEMORIAL SCHOOL COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES FOR: May 20, 2022

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| MEETING     | MEMORIAL SCHOOL COUNCIL   |
| DATE        | 5/20/22   |
| LOCATION    | Conference Room   |
| ATTENDEES   | John Willis, Nate Berkowitz, Deb Patuto, Lindsey Banks, Samantha Silag, Toni Aloï |
| ABSENT      | Shoshana Collins  |
| GUESTS      |   |
| RECORDED BY | Deb Patuto  |

### **School Council Meeting**

7:30-8:15 A.M. – MMES Project Room

1. Burning issues/questions/ideas
  - a. Playground is coming along.
  - b. Repairs on both turf fields have been made
  - c. Deck off the Library is being completed
  
2. Budget Update
  - a. Budget Approved for both towns
  - b. Next Year - Hopeful that we can begin to repair and grow
  
3. School Improvement Plan
  - a. Presentation being pushed out until the Fall.
  - b. DEI
    1. New MERSD Elementary Schedule - (SEL Block put into the day) - Common schedule and time on learning is exactly the same at both schools. SEL Curriculum - (i.e., RULER, SECOND STEP, CHARACTER EDUCATION)
    2. Diversity Council - Would like to form a council for next year.
    3. “Understanding Our Differences” (3-5th grade level) Program where each grade is given a disability for the day. They are given 5 activities to help students understand/simulate what it would be like to have a disability, learn about the brain, celebrities who learn differently etc.
    4. Wonders Training (Diverse stories within the texts)
    5. Heritage Day Project? (A way for kids to share and celebrate their heritage)
    6. SCAR Partnership with middle/high school-Student Coalition Against Racism
    7. PTO Enrichment - Future discussions to keep DEI in mind (Disabilities, cultures, etc.)

8. Check in/Check Out Mentoring with Ms. X (Small program with adjustment counselor)
- c. Authentic Learning
1. Project -Based
  2. I- Reading Transition: Moving away from AIMS WEB benchmark screeners and into I-Reading. “My Path” Self paced intervention that can take students through their targeted needs.
  3. Explore:
    - a. Heritage Day Project
    - b. Change is Simple Project (Enrichment)
  4. Music In The Hub: Expansion (piano, violin)
    - a. K-Orientation (Have students play music during receptions, Open House)
  5. Elementary to Middle School Transition Activities (Both Schools Together) Both schools hosting and promoting getting to know each other and working together. Project Adventure.
  6. Project Adventure will be implemented in the gym at Memorial School.
- d. Social Emotional Learning
1. PBIS - Reboot
    - a. Core Values (Heart Tickets), modeling expectations, etc.
    - b. New Schedule (SEL Block)
    - c. SEL Coordinator