

Desert Mountain Site Council Meeting Minutes

11/14/18

Member Attendance: (Administration) Dr. Lisa Hirsch; (Teachers) Natasha Anderson, Lucas Strohmeyer, Betty Schroeder, Julie Koenig; (Parents) Allison Heron, John Zhang; (Classified Staff) Cheryl Chelius, (STUGO) Brooklyn Dean

Meeting called to order at 2:33PM by Dr. Hirsch

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve 10/24/18 minutes by Natasha Anderson, second by Betty Schroeder. Motion passes unanimously.

Student Report: Brooklyn Dean

- Basketball Bash this Friday
 - Used to promote boys and girls basketball programs
 - Video on announcements & posters in the hallway
- Charity event in December
 - Para Club fundraiser
 - Looking for volunteers to sign-up
- Winter Sports Pep Assembly
 - December 8th

Principal Report: Dr. Lisa Hirsch

- Two students were on campus early one morning that were not enrolled at DMHS
 - Reported by DMHS students
 - Investigated by administration and security, including looking on cameras
 - Led to planning for increased safety in the back gate area of the school
 - A security guard will be placed at the gate from the senior parking lot into the service drive in the mornings before school to check student ID's
- Welcoming School
 - Asked for staff input last Wednesday at Faculty Meeting for things they would like to learn at a substance abuse in-service (making professional development more meaningful)
 - Additionally, staff were asked to provide input on what they do personally to make Desert Mountain a "welcoming school"
- Last half-day update
 - Each teacher worked within their departments and PLC's
 - Google Classroom training
- Next half-day
 - Substance abuse presentations

Request for Tax Credit Funds

- None

New Items:

- How to intervene with students who are dealing with potential mental health issues (Natasha Anderson)
 - Identify red flags
 - Refer to Paige Phelps
 - Prioritize these types of referrals for PIPT meetings

Parent Items:

- John Zhang
 - How are students selected for specific scholarships and internships at DMHS?
 - How can we make the process more transparent?
 - More information about due process, criteria, number of applicants, selection criteria, etc
 - What scholarships get announced?
 - What achievements get announced?
 - What is the plan for providing student recognition going forward?

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn by Dr. Lisa Hirsch, second by Allison Heron.