

2024- 25 MHS Site Council Meeting Notes

Meeting Date: 10/1/24

Meeting Time: 7:30AM-8:15AM

Meeting Location: Melrose High School Learning Commons (LC-5)

Present: Christopher Beaver, Jeff Bentley, Kade Chapman, Meghan Chapman, Bryan Corrigan, Anthony DiBenedetto, Aliah Elbaz, Sumin Kang, Emma Karam, Manjula Karamcheti, Jason Merrill, Gerry Mroz

Absent:

Agenda

- Meet & Greet
- Brainstorm goals for 2 year cycle
- Miscellaneous

Notes:

- Explanation of site council and its role in the SIP (School improvement plan)
- Still looking for additional staff representatives
- More students have expressed interest, as many students that want to attend are welcome
- Possible ties to other work/committees (Schedule, PBIS, etc)
- Breakout into small groups to brainstorm ideas

Parents Brainstorm:

- Trans Friendly Bathroom (beyond the LC & nurse)
- More college discussions from the beginning (9th grade), especially first generation students
- Present options for students other than college
- Early college and or dual enrollment
- Connections between what happens in classrooms and what happens in the real world (relevancy)
- More career exposure (outside-the-box careers)

Student Brainstorm:

- Social and emotional health among students: Google form to check in on how students are doing.(Monthly check ins, guidance has access
- Common assessments in AP class. Multiple choice, and short answer
- AP classes should only be one year classes
- Retakes should there be a CAP? If so can we change what the CAP is
- Unweighted vs weighted GPA on transcript.
- AP classes should be reflected on transcripts.

- Summative and Formative assessments should 60-40
- Learning about the college process much sooner (Freshman Seminar or Crew)
- How do we provide more appropriate candidates for Student Government? Not a popularity contest. Note taker for student government!

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Present: Anthony DiBenedetto, Jason Merrill, Kade Chapman, Meghan Chapman, Gerry Mroz, Taylor Siebel, Jeff Bentley, Sumin Kang, Manjula Karamcheti,

Absent: Aliah Elbaz, Emma Karam,

Agenda

- Approve meeting minutes from 10/1/24
- Continue working on two year plan
- Miscellaneous

Notes:

- Explanation of length of terms on the council
- Sign up sheet, with possible length of terms people
- Approved Meeting Minutes from 10/1/24 with minor edits (spelling, added notes)
- Vote for co-president (Kade Chapman, Sumin Kang)
- Discussion about recent mock election, clarification of school based questions
- Explanation of flex block, 1:41 vs 2:10
- Process for visiting a different teacher than scheduled for flex (email both teachers)
- Flex support for ELL & other groups to maximize use of flex
- Creation of Melrose Youth Action team to help address student social emotional
- Inclusion of METCO with extra/co-curricular, how can we improve access and participation? Before school, after school, flex? (Ex. Student Gov, Council, NHS)
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