

MLWGS School Advisory Council (SAC) 2016-2017
Tuesday May 2, 2017

Meeting Room 153 - 1st Floor by the Blue Stone Lobby
Meetings begin promptly at 7:30 AM

SAC Executive Board: Chair - Leslie Hausser, Vice-Chair - Laura Razzolini, Historian - Kristi McCullough (absent), Secretary - Kerry Sheppard
Members: Zach Troidle, Mara Guyer, Will Larson, Catherine Qian, Dawn Grois, John Walter, Max Smith, Raye Rector (absent), Beth Bortz, Jewel Caven, Eric Lowell, Brick Brickley (absent), Maureen Moslow-Benway, Cynthia Kostelecky, Barbara Marshall (absent)

Time	Topic	Facilitator	Notes
5 min	1. Call to Order and Introductions	Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:33am
5 min	2. Agenda Discussion and Approval for 5/02/17 3. Minutes from 3/07/17 and 4/04/17 Review and Acceptance	Leslie Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:34am 7:35am
40 min Old Business	4. Technology Committee 5. Planning Committee 6. Global and Outreach Committee (No Report) 7. Collaborative Planning Committee 8. Calendar Committee 9. Nominating Committee 10. Curricular Review & Enhancement Committee 11. Marketing Committee 12. Grading Scale 13. Marketing Video Update	Eric Raye Maureen Beth Max Jewel Laura John Maureen Will	<p>4. Technology Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focusing on the 1:1 pilot program. Jeff Hall is in the process of acquiring the laptops and www.lynda.com (an online program to assist with learning the new hardware and software that will be accessible); the pilot is for one academic year with assessments periodically throughout the year to gauge success <p>5. Planning Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Committee did not meet, so there will be an update for the next SAC meeting; Raye Rector is rolling off as our SAC representative; Only 16 students were pulled off the waitlist from all of our contributing divisions <p>7. Collaborative Planning Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundation has convened a special committee to address collaboration. The next meeting is May 9th, and they will be meeting with the Foundation's executive meeting in late May. A vote will be held in June to address how quickly to move forward with some of the issues; the committee met with the Music Boosters, and they were supportive of the concept. The only group they have not met with yet

			<p>is the Academic Boosters</p> <p>8. Calendar Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concluded their work this year; the draft calendars have been submitted to the RSB; the public comment period is open (through May 15th). <p>9. Nominating Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jewel Caven has been following up with the PTSA nominees; Barry Bowers will be taking over the Historian role for SAC (the Historian position has an updated job description, which will be shared at the June meeting for approval) <p>10. Curricular Review & Enhancement Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP and Dual Enrollment classes will still be a part of next year's SAC agenda • MLWGS is holding off offering new Dual Enrollment language courses for a year as Dr. Wendy Ellis continues to explore this with VCU <p>11. Marketing Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is MLWGS communicating effectively? MLWGS communicates, but are all stakeholders getting the necessary content consistently? • Brick Brickley met with Dr. Ellis; Recommendations included: inviting middle school counselors and gifted specialists to visit MLWGS with the committee available to assist with planning, appealing to elementary school students, creating a PowerPoint of MLWGS attributes; targeting prospective students It was discussed that the Future Dragons Committee is tackling Open House/Prospective Student night in the fall; Expanding use of social media (Twitter, Facebook, YouTube) to communicate with one suggestion to support student-produced videos focusing on different domains with possible prize money; giving more support the counselors to help
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15 min New Business	<p>15. Meeting Dates for 2017-2018</p> <p>16. Historian Job Description</p>	Leslie/Eric Leslie/Kristi	<p>15. A draft of dates was provided with the minutes; feedback was to be given to Eric Lowell ASAP</p> <p>16. Leslie Hausser will distribute the historian job description before the June meeting</p>
5 min	17. Announcements, Closure of meeting by Vice-Chair	Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RSB had a 30-minute meeting in April followed by training, so SAC was not able to introduce the new members for approval. This has been shifted to the May meeting. Leslie Hausser indicated the news regarding the appointment of Dr. Lowerre as the incoming director may not have been shared with everyone. Leslie Hausser met with students and will be providing some of their input in her end-of-the-year

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REMINDERS: RSB Meeting 5/18/17, New Parent Orientation 5/24/17, Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 5/25/17			

Upcoming Meetings and MLWGS Dates		
Event/Activity	Meeting Date/Time	Location
SAC Meeting	May 2, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	June 6, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153