

**MLWGS School Advisory Council (SAC) 2016-2017  
Tuesday January 3, 2017**

**Meeting Room 153 - 1<sup>st</sup> 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 (absent)  
**Members:** Zach Troidle, Mara Guyer, Will Larson, Catherine Qian, Dawn Grois, John Walter, Max Smith, Raye Rector, Beth Bortz, Jewel Caven, Eric Lowell, Brick Brickley, Maureen Moslow-Benway, Cynthia Kostelecky, Barbara Marshall  
**MLWGS Acting - Director:** Dr. Lewis

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Facilitator</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>5 min</b>	1. Call to Order and Introductions	Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order at 7:31 AM</li> </ul>
<b>5 min</b>	2. Agenda Discussion and Approval for 1/03/17 3. Minutes from 12/06/16 Review and Acceptance	Leslie Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved at 7:33 AM</li> <li>Approved at 7:34 AM</li> </ul>
<b>40 min Old Business</b>	4. MLWGS Update and Interim Director Discussion	Dr. Lewis	<p>Dr. Lewis offered the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This will be a difficult budget season due to proposed increase in VRS costs and we wait to see if the state will increase their portion accordingly.</li> <li>RSB will have their budget work session on Jan. 19 after the regular meeting. Dr. Lewis hopes to have the budget presented to the RSB in March.</li> <li>RSB approved a new Honor Council policy at its last meeting. Mr. Smith is now working with the students to have the Honor Council back in place this month and reconstituted for 2nd semester. Elections will be held in Feb.</li> <li>Safety and security has been improved with the Bluestone doors now locked during the day (buzz-in required) and additional security in the evening for events.</li> <li>A new publication policy is being approved.</li> <li>Administration is working on procedures for enhanced communication with faculty.</li> <li>Dr. Lewis looks forward to talking with students about pressing issues they may have.</li> </ul>

	<p>5. Curricular Review &amp; Enhancement Committee (No Report)</p>	<p>Laura/Eric</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Lewis will not attend all SAC meetings but Mr. Smith is the administrative representative so he can take issues back to the administration (in addition to our executive committee reporting to administration).</li> <li>• A question arose about the courtyard enclosure project and Dr. Lewis reported that the school is getting input from groups who use the space to develop a bigger picture of how it will be used. There should be an idea of what that project will look like by the end of the school year.</li> <li>• Dr. Lewis summarized by saying that we all share the same mission to make the school better.</li> </ul> <p>Laura Razzolini and Eric Lowell both reported.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At the last RSB, Honor Council was the biggest discussion topic. Different versions were proposed and voted on consecutively. The RSB ultimately passed the original proposal with this change - regardless of who hears a student's first honor offense, the offense will not be on the student's permanent record if found guilty (there will be other consequences, however).</li> <li>• RSB approved 17 new dual-enrollment classes at the last meeting. This list is available in the board packet of the RSB's most recent agenda online (minutes from that meeting have not been approved yet).</li> <li>• There was some discussion about where this committee goes from here to be of the best help to the school. There was also general</li> </ul>
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	<p>6. Technology Committee (No Report)</p> <p>7. Marketing (Video) Committee (No Report)</p> <p>8. Planning Committee</p> <p>9. Global and Outreach Committee (No Report)</p> <p>10. Collaborative Planning (Communications) Committee</p>	<p>Eric Leslie</p> <p>Raye</p> <p>Maureen</p> <p>Beth</p>	<p>discussion of SAC and the things that we work on versus the things that we bring up for others to work on. It was noted that some of our work results in recommendations to the school and our work stops there.</p> <p>No report</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Raye Rector reported that there are 1160 applicants this year. This is an increase of 77 from last year. Letters will be mailed this Friday about testing.</p> <p>Maureen Moslow-Benway reported these updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maureen and Kristi will be meeting with Dr. Ellis next week in order to continue the committee's work to provide more international and government opportunities at MLWGS.</li> <li>• Ambassador Thomas Pickering will be guest speaking on Jan. 30th at the World Affairs Council at The Jefferson Hotel from 5-7 PM. This event is free to students.</li> </ul> <p>Beth Bortz reported these updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Foundation met before break about the combining of the Foundation with the PTSA and booster groups.</li> <li>• There is now more of a push to have all of the booster groups come on board at the same time as the PTSA.</li> <li>• There is a plan is to meet with each booster group over the next 6 weeks.</li> </ul>
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	11. Calendar Committee (No Report)	Max	Max Smith reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 17-18 draft calendar was emailed to SAC. Please give input over the next 6 weeks. The calendar will be submitted to the RSB in April.</li> <li>• Committee will be working on a 2018-19 calendar proposal that features a two week earlier start. This is only a proposal and will require many discussions. The proposed 18-19 calendar will be based on Goochland, which already begins school two weeks before the rest of the school districts.</li> </ul>
	12. Nominating Committee	Jewel	Jewel Caven reported these updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members are Jewel Caven, Leslie Hausser and Dawn Grois.</li> <li>• They will work to replace officer positions on SAC for 17-18. These include Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Historian. A slate will be proposed in March for a vote at the April meeting.</li> <li>• Many other SAC membership positions are coming open so pass on any interested candidates for membership to Jewel. She will speak at the January PTSA meeting to give parents an overview of SAC and its missions.</li> </ul>
<b>15 min New Business</b>	13. Committee Updates	Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leslie is going through the committees and making some changes per individual requests.</li> <li>• There will be a new Marketing Committee, chaired by Brick Brickley. Volunteers to this new committee include Mara Guyer, Raye Rector, Maureen Moslow-Benway, and Barbara Marshall.</li> </ul>

	14. By-Laws Review	Cynthia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leslie informed us that the by-laws were last amended in September 2015. Cynthia Kostelecky has agreed to review the by-laws over the next several months to see if there are things to discuss or amend, especially if the proposed foundation changes affect our wording/needs for membership.</li> </ul>
	15. Student/Faculty/Staff Input and Updates	Staff/Students	Leslie thanked everyone for their input today and encouraged continued input from the members of SAC during our meetings.
	16. Budget Feedback Session	Eric	<p>Eric reported on the community budget session held in December.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very small parent attendance of 4-5 at this session.</li> <li>It was suggested that the school create a capital budget.</li> <li>Concern was raised about the heavy dependability on the Athletic Boosters providing funds. It is not necessarily sustainable in the long term.</li> </ul>
<b>5 min</b>	17. Announcements, Closure of meeting by Chair	Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RSB Meeting, Jan 19th</li> <li>Night of the Dragon, February 25.</li> <li>Meeting adjourned at 8:34 AM</li> </ul>
<b>REMINDERS:</b> RSB Meeting 1/19/17; Night of the Dragon 2/25/17			

Upcoming Meetings and MLWGS Dates		
Event/Activity	Meeting Date/Time	Location
SAC Meeting	January 3, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	February 7, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	March 7, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	April 4, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	May 2, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153
SAC Meeting	June 6, 2017 7:30 AM	Room 153