

MLWGS School Advisory Council (SAC)
Tuesday, September 10, 2019
7:00-8:30am

Meeting Room 153

SAC Executive Board: Chair – Barrie Bowers, Vice-Chair – Dan Brown, Secretary –Prasad Edlapalli, Historian – Denise Rasmussen

Members: Dave Barnes, Ed Coleman, Wendy DeGroat, Chase Gunlicks, Melissa Kates, Michael Larkin, Miles Nardi, Julia Ochsenshirt, John Piersol, Lynn Pleveich, Adam Powers, Max Smith, Karen Townsend, Gabriella Watson

Also in Attendance : Robert C. Lowerre – Director, David Bortz - Chief Technology Officer

Time	Topic	Facilitator	Notes
5 min	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order 2. Introductions 3. Agenda - Discussion and Approval of 9/10/19 meeting agenda 	Barrie Bowers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 7:02 AM 2. Introductions 3. Agenda approved.
10 min	4. Dr. Bob Lowerre- Discussion of Strategic Plan process	Barrie Bowers	<p>Dr. Lowerre spoke about the process for developing a 5 Year Strategic Plan. Where does MLWGS fit in the Richmond region?</p> <p>When MLWGS was started it was the only gifted school in the Region, whereas now there are many options. What is different & unique about MLWGS is the driving force of MLWGS going forward. Plan is to narrow it down to 6 – 7 goals by March and get it approved by April. Last year’s school evaluation will have input to Strategic Plan. Need one representative from SAC in Strategic Plan committee. Michael Larkin volunteered.</p>

			School opening was good, no issues with transportation.
40 min	<p>New Business</p> <p>5. Formation of Committees for 2019-20 Finalize committees Committee Chairs Committee Sign-Ups</p>	<p>All Barrie Bowers</p> <p>Barrie Bowers</p>	<p>Barrie Bowers walked through the committees. The objective is to start and finish by end of year with an output.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Calendar Committee - looking for an early start dependent on district schools b) Nomination and Bylaws c) Policy and Handbook review committee and Curriculum review d) Global Outreach committee - Goal is to get a speaker this year e) Student and Family Engagement Committee – PTSA to reach out to freshmen families by forming groups of 10 to 15 by sophomore families. Freshmen orientation was restructured to have half a day field-day. Recommendation is to rename this committee as Student Outreach Committee. School Identity Committee
	<p>6. New MW Wellness Council</p>		<p>Department of Education at each school establishes wellness committee which is more nutrition and fitness-based. Plan is to meet four times this year. SAC has been requested to provide a parent and student volunteer to serve as a SAC liaison to this Council. Melissa Kates and Gabriella Watson volunteered.</p>

	7. Open Forum for additional topics		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Suggestion to do community service by MLWGS as a group.
5 min	8. Announcements & Closure of Meeting	Barrie Bowers	<p>SAC members to nominate themselves to Committees via Signup Genius.</p> <p>8:20 AM – Meeting Adjourned</p>
<p>REMINDERS: SAC Meetings – October 8, November 12, December 10, January 14, February 11, March 10, April 7, May 12, June 9, all 7:30-8:30 am</p>			