

MHS PAC Meeting Minutes

12:00pm. Feb. 9, 2011 - MHS Boardroom

Present: Debra Maguire (Principal), Metro Huculak (YK1 Superintendent), Denise Drouin, Susan Sibbeston and Heather Nakehk'o.

1.) MHS PAC Updates

- **ECE released 2010 Student Achievement (including AATs) Results**

Superintendent Metro Huculak reports: YK1 did well overall. Focus will continue to improve attendance numbers, writing and increase excellence standing. If a parent wants help understanding the results, wants more breakdown of results and wants to know how their children did then they may contact Mel Pardy at YK1 @ 766-5057.

<http://www.ece.gov.nt.ca/> click on **Backgrounder: NWT releases 2010 Student Achievement Results, January 2011 & R(16)565 NWT Releases 2010 Student Achievement Results, January 2011.**

- **EBS Workshop (YK1) Follow up**

Participants learnt more about the BOATS approach that will be included into the EBS system. This approach separates 3 different levels of behaviour into a triangle. The top level being high priority, second level is medium priority and the third level is low priority. Focus given on having most students in the medium to low levels. Deborah Maguire can give more information to parents on how this will be done at MHS. Data collection results for rewards based on positive behaviour. Blue slips for enforcement. April SIP (staff professional development session) will discuss and **working group will report back to MHS PAC by end of May 2011.**

- **Fundraising Needs for MHS for the rest of 2010/11 year**

Track and field, grade 8 grad, basket ball. MHS PAC will organize another Bake Sale/Cafe for Ecology North Silent Auction. (will check with Mr. Pike first). Car wash? Bottle recycling drive? Spring Clean-up.

- **Feedback for 2011/12 YK1 Calendar**

Specifically for parent/student/teacher interview dates. Nov 18 for 2011 and March 2 for 2012. Seemed alright with MHS PAC meeting attendees but other parents may comment to YK1. Go to <http://new.yk1.nt.ca/Activity%20Calendar.php> to review.

- **School Travel Plan**

Presented to YK1 Administration and PAC Chairs. This Plan is for older students (high school) to help escort younger students (elementary students) walking to school. To ensure safety for younger ones while older ones are being helpful and contributing to a safer community. Currently looking for 3 champion schools to participate. MHS may be ideal as we are a downtown school and Franklin can be busy. More details available at YK1.

- **New Programming needs at MHS**

- *Pet therapy,

- *Food rescue/breakfast program (exists already @ MHS) but need more people to help prepare food. Grant may help fund extra PST staff or high school students may volunteer or be asked to help for extra credit/work experience.

- *Art program,

- *Behaviour specialist.

- **Staff Resignations**

- One MHS 5/6 teacher resigned and is leaving earlier than school year end. YK1 is actively recruiting to replace the 5/6 with a term position for now. Mel Parady, YK1 Assistant Superintendent is retiring this year as well. There may be more resignations and leaves by MHS teachers by June 2011.

2.) **School Updates**

- French trip – 7 students February 22 – 25
- Preschool/Kindergarten promotion
- Enrolment up since Christmas, 14 -15 new students.
- Attendance supports – more tracking and outreach being done with students gone more than 3 consecutive days.
- BOATS and MHS discipline adjustments April SiP
- Student Achievement
- Report Cards coming in March
- Wizard of Oz - 2010-11 MHS play. Auditions being done now.
- Robert Hawkins NACC tickets, green bags being donated. Thank you!
- Nutrition structure
- Ed Psych testing going on.

3.) **Board Updates**

- See Student Achievement results above.
- Route 51 (downtown alternative education centre) is going well and helping students upgrade high school subjects. Attendance numbers are healthy and steady.
- Visit www.yk1.nt.ca for calendars, events, agendas and minutes.
- **Next YK1 Board Meeting Tues. March 8 @ 7pm YK1 Boardroom**
- **Next AEAC Meeting Wed. March 16 @ 7pm YK1 Boardroom**

4.) Adjournment: 1:00pm. Thanks to all who attended!

5.) **Next MHS PAC Meeting: TBA**