

MORGAN PARK HIGH SCHOOL LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL

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These minutes were approved on March 20, 2019

M INUTES

Morgan Park High School Local School Council
Morgan Park School Library
February 20, 2018
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Carisa Parker, at 6:08pm.

II. ROLL CALL

LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS		PRESENT	ABSENT
Femi Skanes	Principal	X	
John Cleggett	Parent		X
Sharon Brown	Parent	X at 6:18p.	
Michelle Malone	Parent	X	
Autumn Lloyd	Parent		X
Carisa Parker	Parent	X	
Lorena Tucker	Parent	X	
Kayla Williams	Student	X	
Angela Gipson	Teacher	X	
Keith Majeske	Teacher	X	
Kathleen Jackson-Bey	Non-Teaching Staff		X
Peggy Goddard	Community	X	
Margaret LaRaviere	Community	X	

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Malone moved to approve the regular monthly LSC minutes from January 16, 2019. Mr. Majeske seconded.
Unanimous.

IV. AMENDMENT TO AGENDA – None needed

V. REPORTS

A. PPLC Report

Ms. Gipson reported that the PPLC is now established and has held their first meeting discussing the instructional needs of departments. One of the goals of the PPLC is to create a school-wide note taking system to be used at all levels.

B. Principal's Report – Dr. Skanes

1. Attendance Updates and Enrollment Updates:

- a. Total enrollment – 1200 (Overall year to date attendance: 87.85%)
- b. 7th grade – 96.00% (48 students)
- c. 8th grade – 97.61% (43 students)
- d. 9th grade – 87.83% (322 students)
- e. 10th grade – 86.62% (255 students)
- f. 11th grade – 86.34% (273 students)
- g. 12th grade – 87.54% (259 students)

2. Practice PSAT SCORES – BEGINNING OF THE YEAR v. END OF THE YEAR

	BOY Total	MOY Total	Difference	BOY EBRW	MOY EBRW	Difference	BOY Math	MOY Math	Difference
Gr 9	714	726	12	355	360	5	359	366	7
Gr 10	812	819	7	404	418	14	408	401	7
Gr 11	828	847	19	417	435	18	411	411	0

3. Goal Scores:

Grade Level	Evidence Based Reading/Writing	Math	Total Score
9 th – PSAT 8/9	410	450	860
10 th – PSAT/NMSQT	430	480	910
11 th – PSAT	460	510	970
12 th SAT	480	530	1010

4. Semester 1 On Track Rates
 - a. Freshmen on Track – 87.5%
 - b. Sophomore on Track – 84.4%
 5. Vendor Fair – Morgan Park High School will be hosting a vendor fair on Sunday, March 10, 2019 from 12:00pm – 4:00pm. Vendors have been invited to participate in the fair which is free to all participants. All vendors are asked to donate one item for a raffle.
 6. Interventions – Youth advocate Program (YAP) and Alternatives, Inc. are two additional student interventions that will support students who are exhibiting concerning behaviors. Approximately 30 students will receive intensive supports to help students develop coping skills that will help to improve their academic and social emotional focus.
 7. Staffing Needs – Ms. Thornton (Social Science) is currently on leave. We are in the process of seeking a temporary teacher to fill the vacancy.
 8. 75% of students took the PSAT – weather kept many home. Teachers are looking at individual interventions and classroom interventions. 40 students will take Saturday SAT prep class; another 25, after school PSAT prep. Other interventions available: College Possible SAT Prep, PSAT goal setting and Khan Academy online.
 9. Ms. Parker added that the celebration for Freshmen on track and the breakfast for the Top 10 students in each class were excellent. It is good to see success celebrated.
- C. LRE Report – The special education department continues to work with students toward meeting their Individualized Education Plans (IEP) benchmarks and goals.
1. The IEP team, along with the Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation, has identified 43 students who will receive transition assistance from high school to college and/or secure employment. Mr. Richard Jones is our DRS coordinator.
 2. 15 of our junior students are participating in the Bridges from High School to Work Program and are meeting weekly with Mr. Jason Smola to practice writing appropriate resumes, increasing interview skills, and tips on how to dress and speak effectively. Students will begin actual interviews this spring.
 3. Science classes are studying Dr. Percy Julian who confronted racism, inequality and numerous challenges to become one of the most influential chemists in American history.
 4. In English I classes, students are conducting historical research about William Shakespeare and preparing to present to each other. Students Delana Jones and Makaayah Black have been commended for showing positive leadership skills and demonstrating the IB Learner Profile of Caring while engaging in their classroom tasks.
 5. The social science civic class is working with Build-On and will be going to Mercy Circle to help the elderly play Bingo and serve refreshments as part of their service project.
 6. James Nukes has been recognized for being on the Greenlight report all year and his scores on the PSAT are noteworthy.
 7. In math, the students are working on connecting math to real life skills. They are learning about the percent of change and working with discount prices and sales tax, as well as learning about paychecks, finding gross and net pay and figuring out the cost of all deductions. Other students are working on data analyzes and box-and-whisker graphs. They are preparing for SAT and March 6th will start an after school SAT Prep Program on Wednesday.
 8. The Cluster Program at Morgan Park High School is preparing to participate in the track and field events during the Spring Special Olympic games. A “Popcorn Fundraiser” will be held February 25th-March 1st after school in the lunchroom. All staff and students are encouraged to support. The Cluster Program is also preparing for Annual School Walkathon on March 22, 2019 during 7th-8th periods in the boys gym. All monies raised will be used to increase the students independent functioning and daily living skills via Community based Outings and Field trips.
 9. Students are currently working on projects during African-American History Month that not only highlights famous African Americans (past and present) but an emphasis on learning about their Family History which includes their family tree, traditions, and various accomplishments and milestones the students and their families have made.
 10. Class presentations will be the last week of February/ Cluster student in 9-11 grades will pre participating in state assessments (DLM) beginning March 13th until all students have been tested.
- D. Finance Report – Ms. Fitzpatrick
1. Negative on the Position pointer in fund 115 has decreased to \$628.01.
 2. Approved Reconciliation Reports distributed.
 3. Fundraising proposals for approval:
 - a. Community School Initiative – Community Vendor Fair, March 10, 2019
 - b. School Wide – Morgan Park Spirit Gear from March – June 2019.
 - c. Girls softball – Chipotle, March 16, 2019
 4. Request to move PAC funds to reimburse parents for parking during ESSA conference.
- E. PTSA Report – No report.
- F. PAC Report – Dr. Skanes

1. Eight parents attended the January 22, 2019 PAC meeting. Topic was focused on helping parents better understand how to keep their children safe on social media
 2. Five Morgan Park PAC members attended the ESSA conference on February 11, 2019.
 3. Next PAC meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2019.
- G. Student Representative – Ms. Williams
1. Student Needs:
 - a. Study Hall
 - b. Dance
 - c. More incentives (not just for Diploma program)
 - d. A days & B days (schedule time changes)
 - e. Free day once per quarter (a de-briefing day)
 - f. Food at 7th period lunch (not enough)
 2. Student Success:
 - a. JROT had a wonderful Military Ball
 - b. 2019 grads committed to colleges
 - c. Varsity players recognized at Senior Night
 - d. Student Council sold Valentine cupcakes
 - e. Freshmen and Sophomore on track celebration
 - f. Debate had two 1st place winners and 2 other winners

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Fundraising Committee – Ms. Brown
 - a. The cookbook project can be started in the summer to allow time to collect recipes, organize and submit for publication.
 - b. Ms. Brown and Ms. Parker will meet to work on a timeline.
- B. Community Outreach/ Relations Committee – Mr. Majeske
 1. A monthly ad and other information have been in Beverly Review
 2. There are 215 Twitter followers
 3. An ad in the Beverly Review today includes pictures of the Top 10 students.
- C. CIWP Committee – No report
- D. Principal Evaluation Committee – Mrs. Goddard
 1. LSC members received the Principal Evaluation Survey Monkey questions (both parent and teacher) by email. The questions must be approved by CPS legal department before they can be used. The answers will be a representation to assist in the evaluation.
 2. **Mrs. Goddard moved that the LSC do a Survey Monkey evaluation for both parents and teachers for the Principal evaluation. Ms. Gipson seconded. Unanimous.**
 3. **Mrs. Goddard moved that the questions presented be used in the survey. Ms. Malone seconded. Unanimous.**

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chuck Lay, 7th grade parent and volunteer basketball coach for 7th and 8th grades, wants to know if they could get uniforms for next year and how he could register the team for summer tournaments. Dr. Skanes responded that they will be doing an overall uniform inventory for next year. She believes it is very important for our teams to look good. She also directed him to Mrs. Fitzpatrick for guidelines.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Vote on Fund Transfers – None needed
- B. Vote on PAC Fund Transfers – None needed.
 1. Funds need to be transferred to reimburse parents' parking at ESSA conference
 2. **Dr. Skanes moved to transfer \$100 from 46251.332.54125.390030.430227.2019 (Services – Professional/Administrative) to 46251.332.54565.390030.430227.2019 (Parent Reimbursement). Mrs. Goddard seconded. Unanimous.**
- C. Vote on CIWP Amendment – None needed
- D. Vote to Approve Fundraising

Ms. Goddard moved to approve the fundraising proposals as presented in V. Reports D. Financial #3. Ms. Parker seconded. Unanimous.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None needed.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm. Ms. Malone seconded. Unanimous.