Marquette Area Public Schools Parent Advisory Council – Meeting Minutes

Central Administration Office 1201 W Fair Marquette MI 49855

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, April 26, 2016

Welcome and call to order-

The meeting was called to order at 6:07pm by President Jamie Randall. Sign-in sheet was passed.

In attendance:

Kristen Cambensy	SBR	Parent at Superior Hills
Jamie Randall	PR	Bothwell
Paula Deidrich	TR	Bothwell
Kim Matulewicz	TR	Alternative High School
Justina Hautamaki	PR	Graveraet
Kathleen Vessels	TR	Marquette High School
Bill Saunders	S	MAPS
Emily Grout	PR	Cherry Creek

PR=parent Rep TR=Teacher Rep SBP=School Board Rep S=Superintendent

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve March minutes Emily Grout second Justina Hautamaki.

MAPS Superintendent Report: Bond coming up for vote next Tuesday. Gets a bit drown out with all the other things going on. HS Academic awards, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society. Monday night Excellence in Ed top 5% of the ISD. Today Excellence in Education Students of the Week and student of the Month, experience hospital for a day. Moving forward into awards season coming up, scholarships, Ed foundation \$140K in scholarships. Kauffman awards coming up \$40-\$50K in academic awards.

Maps School Board Report:

Similar report as Bill. Also, Board has decided to keep Superintendent Saunders for another 5 years.

President report: Regarding the Bond: have successfully put together a big ad for the mining Journal, several radio ads, Joe Lubig, Lisa Yohke, Pete and Audry Kaufman, Tony Ritaski...ads will be every day until next week.

Discussion of ways to recruit more parent reps for PAC discussed eliminating officers and function more as a committee...there will be no elections, no future positions. Monthly meetings will continue, will keep a note taker/secretary. Continue with 3rd Tuesday each month at 6:00pm, no December meeting. Superintendent will update Laura (at MAPS) to update District calendar.

School reports:

Alternative high School: Tomorrow last day of make-up tests for ACT, SAT...spaghetti dinner and silent auction success made over \$4000. Fantastic. She Believe program going to L'Hulliar early elementary classroom to read books with kids. Brian Prill starting up disc golf with grant. Canoe trip planned for last week of school. DC trip in mid May for She Believe...have raised almost all funds. Library is finished and open for kids. Prill has got program going for kids to get Math credit for building and design. Can drive next Thursday....continues once a month. Art show this Thursday in Peter White Library. WWII speaker/author came in last week. Continuing workout on Fridays with girls...did YMCA run: 23 girls, 2 guys, and entire staff participated. Softball tournament coming up. Also, picking up trash at this month's can drive.

High School: Students finishing testing, also. No bells in the H.S. Prom on Saturday, a great time. Track, softball, soccer all going well. Thursday art show on reception at Peter White is 6-8pm. Reality store May 12. Sophomore Career day Fri, May 6th at NMU. Seniors getting ready for graduation.

Bothwell: Just finished a fund raiser, not as successful as before: RADA knives, soups and sauces. Some over-inundation with fundraisers, penny war and things going on at the same time. \$1500 more than last year in box tops and Econo receipts. Track meet tonight. Concession stand open, run by parent group. Hoping to see if it works. Take Your Child to Work day Thurs Thursday. HS is providing pool time and lifeguards for Take Your Child to Work Day. Still working on their testing.

Cherry Creek: Book fair did better than is has done for the last four years. Parent group gave \$600 to school library for books. Doing a track and field 2 days a week after school. Reading group after school called Library Club with a theme and arts & crafts. Robotics club also started up this year...programming, hoping next year to have enough people to go to competitions...grades 4-6th.

Graveraet: Art sale went well...parents and kids really satisfied with art printed on plates, cups, magnets, key chains. Need treasurer/banking advise. Other schools struggling with getting reimbursed too. Discussion about how to keep money so we can write checks. Also doing bikea-thon May 9th at Tourist Park. All schools welcome to attend. Donations from area businesses and the City for prizes. Family movie night at Kaufman Auditorium last week...popcorn and candy at intermission...showed *Inside Out*. Ordering Igloo water coolers with our Cambells Soup labels for bike-a-thon...can be borrowed by other parent groups. Planning end-of-year Field Day with watermelon and games for kids. Planning Fall Festival...ordering pumpkins to sell and caramel apples and cider with games. Planned for Early October later September.

Sandy Knoll: no representative

Superior Hills: Daddy/Daughter dance over 500 people there...largest they have had...not a fundraiser, well attended. Pictures that came back...girls with dresses and dad's with matching ties, some dads with tuxs, popcorn, cupcakes, juice, water, DJ with colored lights, glow

necklaces. Sarah Ruska thanks you...owner of Lutey's...day before prom...375 corsages for Daddy/Daughter Dance. Really great event! Started track for 3rd and 5th graders...Cherry Creek vs Superior Hills. Little Caesars Fund Raiser in May...as long as we sell 50 kits they will bring refrigerator truck...get 60% or near...made couple thousand \$\$ last year.

Old Business:

Next Meeting Date: No May meeting. Next meeting, September 20th 2016. Next Year Meetings: October 18, Nov 15, Jan 17, Feb 21, March 21, April 18.

Reminder: Saturday at Lakeview Arena 1:30 doors open, party starts at 2pm, bounce house, bbq, pop donated from Pepsi and Coke and Jilbert's Jilly with milk. NBC will be there to film the reveal of the winner of the KRAFT Hockeyville. Film crew coming on Friday...big projection screen.

Adjourn. 7:42pm

Respectfully submitted, Justina Hautamaki, Secretary