

Murray High School School Community Council MINUTES



Tuesday, March 26, 2024 – 3:00 P.M.

SCC Board Members in attendance:Natalie Dansie, Ryan Brimley, Demetrio Cabanillas, Cheree Larson, Brook Myers, Stephanie Richter, Quinn
Linde, Jon Jensen, Stacey MurdochAlso Present:Kelly Taeoalii, LeAuna Brown

- 1. Welcome SCC Chair, *Natalie Dansie*
- 2. Review of <u>minutes</u> Motion to approve: Brook Myers 2nd: Demetrio Cabanillas Unanimously approved
- 3. Present <u>2024-2025 Lands Trust Plan</u> for approval
 - a. Review / Final Overview
 - b. Funding Items Motion to Approve Motion: Demetrio Cabanillas 2nd: Ryan Brimley Unanimously approved
 - c. Signatures
 - d. Final plan submitted to Superintendent and MCSD Board by March 28, 2024
- 4. <u>2024-2025 SSP</u> (Student Success Plan) Projected Funding and Goals

a. <u>SOAR</u> (Student Outcome Accountability Report) Overview (Demographic Data last 3 years)

The Student Outcome Accountability Report (SOAR) was created as a tool to help school counselors identify potential achievement gaps and support dad-informed decision making.

This report takes data submitted through the Utah Transcript Record Exchange (UTRex) system and organizes it in categories that school counselors can use to help identify gaps in the areas of access, attainment, and achievement. The most current report is for the 2022-2023 school year and shows in increase in the MHS graduation rate for 79% in 2022 up to 84% in 2023. We hope to see this rate higher again this year, especially with the I-grade program that has been introduced this year. So far this year, teachers/students have successfully completed 111 I-grade contracts and it is expected that the end of the year that number will be 200 to 250 contracts fulfilled. That correlates to a reduction of that same number of F grades, resulting in fewer credit recovery/remediation course needing to be completed and hopefully an increase in the number of students graduating. As a comparison, the Credit Recovery teacher looked at the number of open credit recovery courses for last year at this time, and the number was about 1,000. This year, that number is much lower, at about 510; a reduction of about 50%.

- 5. **Cell phone discussion and cell phone committee** A cell phone committee, made up from selected MHS teachers, has come up with a more affordable alternative to the *Yondr* cell phone pouches. They suggest a hard zippered case attached to student desks with industrial strength Velcro. This would allow students to keep the phone in their possession, not block signal to the phone, and allow them quick access to their phones in emergency situations, while still keeping the electronics (phones, earbuds, watches) out of student's hands, no longer a distraction, and not easily accessible for cheating. It is altering the current requirement that students keep their electronic devices in their backpacks, to being in the case instead. The negotiated price of the *Yondr* cell phone pouches was \$27 each, while this hard case zippered option can be purchased for less than \$1.50 each including the MHS Spartan Head screened onto the case. Once this idea is approved, Principal Linde hopes to let parents know about the plan sometime in the spring. Principal Linde asked for a vote of support from SCC members. They voted unanimously to support this endeavor. Brook Myers accepted the responsibility of, after spring break, writing up a joint statement of support for council members to endorse.
- 6. Adjourn Motion: Demetrio Cabanillas

Next Meeting scheduled – April 16, 2024 @ 3:00pm