**Marshall Community Council**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

In Attendance: Amanda Yonker, Lisa Salerno, Condee Wood, Charlene Hayes, Jody Chipman,

Alexis Karageorge, Dominic Kehoe, Violet & Tyler Loose, Prairie Matthews, Debra Miles, Greg Norman, Mary Rideout, Autumn Stevick, Kim Swanson, Frank Vielbaum, Rebekkah Vielbaum, Heidi Weaver

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| **Agenda Item** | **Meeting Minutes** |
| **Welcome/Introductions** | Welcome from Amanda with introductions around the table.Motion and all in favor to approve October meeting minutes. *Please refer to the MCC weebly site for all past meeting minutes.*  |
| **Treasurer’s Report** | Beth was absent, so Amanda reviewed our treasurer’s report.Monster Dash made $4100 profit. Condee congratulated Amanda’s efforts and all involved on another successful event! $300 profit from concessions during November Marshall Activity Night. |
| **Principal’s Report** | Condee reported that the Homework Club is up and running. Requested for interested volunteers to come and help. There is a Teacher scheduled on Tuesdays (Tom Condon) and Para (Christy Bennett) on Thursdays. Snacks are provided and the Activity Bus is being utilized. Students find this time valuable. Teachers may require some struggling students to stay after during this time to get the extra help needed. Likened to ‘academic-type detention’. 10 students are coming regularly so far. There is also $2500 available from Olympia Education Foundation to help teach 6th graders Math. Condee will speak with Frank Vielbaum offline about a possible volunteer opportunity around this need.Parent-Teacher-Student conferences went well. Have received positive feedback and kids felt comfortable with the process. Staff Appreciation meals during this time were extremely appreciated by all and extended special thanks for all the wonderful food and parent volunteers who helped make these available for all the teachers and staff.  |
| **Vice-Principal’s Report** | Charlene reported merchandise from the recent Fundraiser will be delivered on Thursday, 11/19. Requested MCC support with volunteers to help sort and distribute items. We profited $9,067 from the fundraiser. 27% of student body participated = 109 students. We received 40% of all sales. Positive feedback regarding selection of items offered. 48 students sold 15+ items so they will receive a limo ride scheduled for December 3rd. November 20th will be another Activity Night sponsored at Griffin Middle School. The Veterans Day assembly turned out great to honor those who have served. The Giving Tree will continue again this year to support our Marshall community. MCC will help support this event. We provided 75 gifts for kids last year. Condee spoke about our Marshall community and solicited giving gently worn items to the school for our students in need. Please give items to Mr. Fulton or health room for clothes overgrown for our students in need. Condee purchases highly needed items to some of our homeless students using her ‘principal checkbook’ for those students. We have to take care of students basic needs first. Please pass along gently used clothes to the office for distribution. More communication will go out regarding giving tree and other areas we’ll be handling during this season. Charlene discussed ASB will be sponsoring a coat drive this month, and then will go into a Toiletry drive. Dress up days are scheduled in December. Mustang awards are coming up on 11/20. Mustang awards describe students with key character traits: Motivating, Upstanding, Safe, Trail-blazer, Accepting, and Nurturing. Teachers can nominate up to 3 students each quarter. Students are only nominated once per year. A question was asked if there was a way to encourage all teachers to participate. Condee will continue to solicit from teachers and all staff to nominate students and participate in the program.  |
| **Yearbook** | Yearbook club started last week. 7 students came to participate. Mary discussed they went onto the Entourage website and went through tutorials. They want to do a theme and asked students to start thinking about what it means to be a Marshall Mustang. Goal is to have a candid picture of each student in the yearbook. Students want house colors also represented. The team talked about how it’s important that everyone gets included in some way and how photos have to be in a positive light. Photos can be downloaded to: Mustangsyearbook16@gmail.com . Entourage also has a website we can download pictures to. Good ideas generated. The students have a great sense of community. Students rode the activity bus home. Will continue to meet Tuesdays 2:30-4:15 pm.  |
| **Star Wars Pre-release Showing Fundraiser** | We have sold 108 tickets for Star Wars movie. Close to half sold. Condee will do a robo call for last call for tickets. Discussed donating tickets for those who are not able to pay for their own.  |
| **New Business/Inquiries** | Beth would like to purchase a computer for the MCC to utilize and load accounting software onto for MCC purposes. The computer would stay with the MCC. Computer is $330 currently. Amanda would like to wait on the vote to allow time for all to consider. \*Quorum was met for this purchase via email from the following members:

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| Alexis Karageorge Kimberly SwansonDebra MilesCondee WoodJody ChipmanJennifer RedmanHeidi Weaver | Actual Specs: Toshiba Satellite Intel Pentium processor, 4GB drive, 500 GB hard drive $399, Case $29.99, Mouse $24.99 Total $453 |

A question was raised about the new MMS time schedule. Condee received a lot of feedback during conferences regarding this topic. It’s been determined that half the time is utilized for social purposes by the majority of students, which is not the intent. Kids need to manage their own time better. They won’t get that during high school. MMS time is currently available 3 days a week. Trying to find a system to monitor kids and how they’re utilizing MMS time appropriately. Staff is trying to find a way for teachers to pull the students who really need MMS time. All teachers are required to stay until 3:07 pm every day so students can also use the time between 2:32-3:07 to stay and ask questions with teachers. Parent gave feedback regarding personal situation and how MMS time is missed. MMS time is currently being offered Tues-Thur-Fri. On Mondays 25 minutes are spent with mentors for various topics such as anti-bullying. MMS time is 25 minutes this year vs. 20 minutes last year. Staff spent much time on breaking this down and made a compromise to the new change this year. Condee will survey teachers again to see how they like the new schedule. Not opposed to making necessary adjustments. |
| **Adjourn** | Amanda thanked everyone for attending and being part of the team! Condee reiterated, “We have a great group of involved parents here at Marshall!” Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm. We will have a presentation regarding the school bond and replacement levy at December’s meeting.  |

**Our next meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2015 at 6:00 pm in the Marshall library.**