

Meeting Minutes

Morris Brandon

Date: 8 November 2018

Time: 4:30

Location: Morris Brandon Main Campus

- I. Call to order: 4:35
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Jay Bland	Present
Parent/Guardian	Michelle Halsey	Present
Parent/Guardian	Patterson Calhoun	Present
Parent/Guardian	Caren Solomon Bharwani	Present
Instructional Staff	Tracey Hudson	Present
Instructional Staff	Michelle Kemp	Present
Instructional Staff	Sonya Waltson	Present
Community Member	Anna Fiveash	Present
Community Member	Daniel Ledford	Present
Swing Seat	Sam DeCarlo	Present
Student (High Schools)		

Guests Present: [If someone has been invited someone to present to the GO Team, list the name(s) here; you do not have to list observers]

Quorum Established: Yes

III. Action Items (add items as needed)

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Tracey Hudson; Seconded by: Sam DeCarlo
 Members Approving: All
 Members Opposing: None
 Members Abstaining:
Motion Pass
- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Ammend Community Member of the Minutes to include Daniel Ledford as Community Member.
 Motion made by: Tracey Hudson Seconded by: [Insert Name]
 Members Approving: All
 Members Opposing: None
 Members Abstaining:

Motion Pass

- c. **Action Item 1: Election of Officers; Secretary – Nominee is Daniel Ledford**

Motion made by: Tracey Hudson; Seconded by: Caren Bharwani

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining:

Motion Pass

IV. Information Items

- a. **Principal's Report**

i. **CCRPI Results**

1. All scores are out of 100
 - a. Content Mastery 100/100
 - b. Progress 94.3/100
 - c. Closing Gaps 100/100
 - d. Readiness 92.6/100
2. Increase Math Performance in Proficient and Distinguished to 80-83% is proposed.
3. ELA Goal was 81%, and we have met at 77%. 80% would be Proficient and Distinguished for ELA.
4. Science we have hit 83%, so Proficient and Distinguished should be 86%
5. Social Studies new Benchmark is 86%, as we hit 83%.
6. Closing Gaps
 - a. The one target we did not meet is Students with Disability in Language Arts.
 - b. Exceeded expectations with Economically Disadvantaged in ELA and Math and Students with Disability in Math.
7. Progress
 - a. African American students at MB are growing much less than the rest of the state in ELA and Math.
 - b. 4th Grade students are high achieving, but 50% percentile in growth.
 - c. 5th grade students are high achieving, and 67% percentile in growth.
 - d. 92% of ESOL students moved at least 1 band, with 76% moving more than 1 Band.
8. Readiness
 - a. Literacy level is at 80%, and we need to be much higher than this. Literacy rate is why there is such a focus on ELA.

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- 80% of our students are reading on Grade level. Brandon should be much higher.
 - b. Students with Disabilities, ESOL, Economically Disadvantaged, and Black students are not performing well.
 - c. Even with this, Brandon scored 96.5, which was second in the state behind Morningside.
 - ii. School Strategy Discussion
 1. Emphasis on OG for Phonics. Keep the ELA focus, as we are very proficient in Math.
 2. Comment that the Strategies are more in line with tasks, and not creative enough.
 3. Possible to rewrite the Priority of “Implement the IB PYP model with fidelity.”
 4. Comment to add to the strategy in Culture to make it abundantly clear that teachers matter.
 5. Comment to train teachers to roll out the Challenge and Talented training better.
 6. Comment to add Wit and Wisdom to the strategy – a desire to differentiate Brandon in some way.
 7. Comment to exclude the “Implement an internal and external communication plan.”
 8. Comment to continue to fund and resource the DLI program, as 2/3 of grade levels fall under this. Add this to strategic program.
 9. Priorities are ELA, Wit and Wisdom, and increasing those scores are important – especially amongst the subgroups.
 10. Jay will bring a rough draft of the strategy to the next meeting for us to review and discuss.
 11. Comment to have a work session after the new year, so we can all collaborate on the new strategy. Jan 10 at 3:00 is proposed at MC.
 - iii. Setting 2 SMART Goals has been tabled until the Work Session

V. Announcements

- a. Next meeting is Jan 25 at PC at 0700

VI. Public Comment

- a. Katie Stewart - Parent suggesting conducting a survey to see how many parents would be in favor of having uniforms. Benefits are cost effectiveness, less distractions, etc. There is already a group of parents volunteering to help roll out the initiative.

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- b. Tim Egan – parent of a kindergartener. Suggesting to have a permanently assigned police officer to be stationed at Morris Brandon. Concern is mass shootings that are becoming more and more commonplace. The cost is \$80,000 per year for an assigned officer. Asking for us to find a creative financial solution to fund this initiative. He’s also volunteering to engineer a fund raising effort if the budget doesn’t allow.
- c. Kelly – Collaboration of the private security forces currently present in the surrounding neighborhoods.

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by: [Tracey Hudson](#)’ Seconded by: [\[Insert Name\]](#)

Members Approving: All

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining:

Motion Pass

ADJOURNED AT 5:29

Minutes Taken By: [Daniel Ledford](#)

Position: [Secretary](#)

Date Approved: [\[Insert Date the Minutes are APPROVED by the GO Team\]](#)