

# Meeting Minutes

## Midtown High School

Date: 9/30/24

Time: 4:00

Recording:

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- I. Call to order: 4:00
- II. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Betsy Bockman	P
Parent/Guardian	Eric Goldberg	P
Parent/Guardian	Jenifer Keenan	P
Parent/Guardian	Audrea Rease	P
Instructional Staff	Trenee Uzoka	P
Instructional Staff	Roderick Hill	P
Instructional Staff	Lisa Boyd	P
Community Member	Willgina Montgomery	P
Community Member	Tamara Jones	P
Swing Seat	Nydia Rivera	P
Student (High Schools)	Eden Sharp	A
Student (High Schools)	Open	

Quorum Established: Yes

- III. First Public Comment Period
  - None
- IV. Action Items
  - A. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Hill ; Seconded by: Tamara Jones  
 Members Approving: Unanimous  
 Members Opposing: none  
 Members Abstaining: none  
**Motion Passes**
  - B. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Edits: Audrea Rease name spelling and noting that she was present for the August meeting.  
 Motion made by: Hill; Seconded by: Uzoka  
 Members Approving: Unanimous  
 Members Opposing: none

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Members Abstaining: none

Motion Passes

## C. Additional Action Item 1 (Not needed)

## D. Additional Action Item 2 (Not needed)

## V. Discussion Items

### A. School Strategic Plan

#### i. Strategic Plan & Priorities Review

This Strategic Plan was developed several years ago and expires in 2025. Question raised about counselors and has MHS done this before. Administration says yes and that co-teaching helps with this process. It will be determined what training counselors will go to based on what training they've completed in the past. Attendance brought up. In the recent past, an attendance coach was paid for by CARES funding. That position is going away as CARES expired; the attendance coach worked with a social worker and coaches. Coach Hill will be working with the athletes. There will be case managers for special education. Attendance at MHS is better than other APS schools hasn't come back, post COVID, for special ed students. The attendance team is now comprised of specific support staff, which includes a social worker. Other populations within MHS with attendance issues are those with 504s.

#### ii. SMART Goals

Graduation Rate: Today the graduation rate was received but is embargoed – MHS is on track to meet the goal. Mechanism for determining staff satisfaction: we do have the Gallup Surveys. Teachers want more participating in decision making. Design team received feedback from teachers on the difficulties of teaching at Midtown. (Used the design team first for overcrowding but it started to uncover other issues that would make it easier to deal with the overcrowding – this is what led to the cell phone policy, and grading policy). Will be working with a consultant on executive functioning skills to help teachers on the 14th.

Parent Participation: parent conferences would count, curriculum night, etc. Background: these are mainly around different subgroups. Can look at information dissemination. Can look at contact log in IC; QR codes. We need to keep this because this is required for subgroups.

### B. Data Discussion

How many MAP tests will be administered? Some student groups were allowed to opt out of the December test. Will continue to think of this as optional unless told otherwise. Gaps in some of our 11 graders in AP physics, calculus, AP stat. This group learned a lot of science and

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math online. This year added physical science class (could take physics or physical science). Longitudinal cohort data could be helpful to illustrate current and potentially upcoming problem areas. Opportunity to use decisions and strategies that worked to bolster strategic plan update. (Example: Using the attendance coach helped attendance to rebound)

- i. Spring 2023 MAPS Results
- ii. 2023 GA Milestone Results

**C. Optional School Uniform**

**i. Action Item: Move Forward with maintaining or explore establishing an optional school uniform**

**ii. No discussion. No motion to move forward or approve.**

Members Approving:  
Members Opposing:  
Members Abstaining:  
**Motion: Fails**

**iii. Action item. Resolution establishing the school uniform advisory committee. Not necessary. School uniform motion failed.**

**VI. Information Items**

**A. Principal’s Report**

i. Enrollment and Leveling Updates

Enrollment and leveling: we do not lose or gain positions. We do need some additional positions because some of our co-taught and other classes are too large.

ii. Additional Information Items. None.

**B. Cluster Advisory Team Report. None. CAT team hasn’t met yet.**

**VII. Announcements**



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Rescheduled events due to weather and air quality: football game and fall band concert. Homecoming was cut short and we want to finish 10/24 jersey sports day; 10/24 grade level color day. Homecoming court crowning will be at halftime of the Mays game on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Got some chickens that hatched this morning. Go Team Summit rescheduled for Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> @ TAG, 8:30 am-2:30 pm

**VIII. Public Comment – None**

**IX. Adjournment**

Motion made by: [Jones](#); Seconded by: [Eric Goldberg](#)

**Members Approving:** Unanimous

**Members Opposing:** none

**Members Abstaining:** none

**Motion Passes**

**ADJOURNED AT 5:30 pm**

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**Minutes Taken By:** [Eric Goldberg](#)

**Position:** [Secretary](#)

**Date Approved:** 10/21/2024