

Call to order

A meeting of the GO Team for Maynard H. Jackson High School was held in the Media Center on April 9, 2018 at 6:12pm.

Attendees

Attendees included [list names of GO Team members present].

Beth Wells	Alex Elliott	Kalyann Teasley	Adam Danser
Yusef King	Don Grant	Geraldine Jackson	David Liburd
Ashley Rouse	Virgil Murray		

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included [list names].

	Shemeka Maddox		

Public in attendance

Is there are quorum present? Circle or highlight **Yes** or No

Changes Made to Minute

Circle or highlight Yes or No

Information Items

Announcements

I. Opening items

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call / Quorum status
- c. Introductions
- d. Approve Minutes from Prior Board Meeting
- e. Meeting norms
- f. Public Comment - Public comment is limited to 5 minutes / person with a maximum time of 30 minutes for public comment.

II. Information Items

- a. Update on austerity fund - Kalyann Teasley
 - i. Spoke with David Dryer about the austerity. The decision on whether to release austerity funds is political. For the first time in over 10 years APS will be receiving austerity funds.
- b. Principal's report - Adam Danser
 - i. Done with extended days, but we are in Milestone preparation. We start on April 23rd with 9th Grade Lit, then American Lit, Geometry, etc. We will be in testing mode from April 23rd until the end of the school year. There is a testing schedule. There are a few more things to add to it then it will be posted onto the website.
 - ii. Graduation is on May 22nd, grades must be posted by May 11th. Beth asked what the seniors do after the 11th and Danser said that Mr. McCall will be providing a schedule for the senior activities.
 - iii. We have funds set aside for each department to be able to provide incentives to students coming to the targeted tutorials. Mr. Danser said he has also spoken to the PTSA to see about helping to provide teacher incentive, possibly during teacher appreciation week.
 - iv. We had one student who was selected for Governors Honor in Chinese.
 - v. SAT scores from the 11th grade in school SAT came in and we had a few score in the 1400s. We also had our first Harvard admission. Mr. Danser says it's important for students to know what they want to do after high school to make sure they are going on the correct route to be successful in when deciding if they want to do join the IB program or Early College. Don asked what makes a student more likely choose Early college rather than IB. We discuss the lure of early college because there is an instant gratification for what they are doing. Mr. Danser says that one thing we are going to try to advertise more moving forward is the option of Atlanta Technical College. This would really benefit a lot of our kids who want to learn a skill. Mr. Danser says that we should have an exit survey for students from each program to find out how they benefitted. Beth says that parents also have financial concerns about what program will work best for them. Mr. Danser said that this year's class will not have as much money in scholarships because the valedictorian only applied to one school, when in the past they have applied to many more. We then say that it is

important to inform parents early on that they need to be preparing for scholarships. Mr. Danser says that this could be a very important use of advisory. Ms. Jackson agrees and says we could also use advisory to work on scholarship and college applications. Mr. Danser says that we have the One Goal Class that is meant to help students with this. This is our first year implementing the program and will be doing it again next year. He also said that we are going to reorganize the way our counseling system works to make sure that the most amount of students are aware of and can apply to scholarships. Don says that he cannot find where Economics is a state requirement, so Mr. Danser is going to look into it.

- vi. We also had our MYP consultation before spring break with our advisor, Ms. McKee. She hasn't sent the report, but Mr. Danser said that we are on a good path but we have to make sure that we are doing better across the boards. One thing that Ms. McKee said was that getting students and/or teacher buy in at the high school level is difficult and it gets easier as we gain students who have come from the same program in middle school.
- vii. 10th grade students are going to see Hamilton
- viii. We will have early dismissal for the last week of school for students.
- c. Innovation grant approval - Yusef King
 - i. Mr. Berry approved our grant for \$4000 grant that will be used to purchase Chemistry supplies.
- d. GO Team elections
 - i. We have not heard anything about the results

III. Action Items

- I. Stadium committee -Beth went to the MJ Cluster meeting. They are researching the stadium idea. We do not necessarily need a committee right now but it would be helpful if a board member of two went to the meetings on behalf of the board. Beth, Ashley, and Virgil all said they would be interested in going.
- II. MJHS 4 year plan for students and parents committee - recruit members - this would be a 3 month committee
 - a. Come up with a four year template for students / parents so they know what track they need to be on moving through high school career. The template would include information such as when you might want to start taking SAT / ACT, how to put together a scholarship notebook, info on FAFSA, info on when & how to start applying for scholarships, how to determine which path (e.g. IB, early college, AP, general courses, tech courses, CTAE) is best for your student, etc.
 - b. Committee would work with counselors and college & career office to determine what information should be included.
 - c. Discussion about whether this can be a 2-page document and whether there is a way to do it online so that the student will have one place to place all of the documents.
 - d. Goal will be to have something in place at the beginning of the 2018 school year.
 - e. Committee - Yusef, Beth, David - need to recruit some people who are not on the board
- III. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn by Beth; unanimous
 - b. Adjourn meeting @ 7:18

Alexandra Elliott
Secretary

4/9/17
Date of approval