

MCCAB 7.21.2022

Director's report

7:00

p.m.

Call to Order & Welcome

Meeting Protocols

Introduction

Susanna Parker

Chair

Objective:

Welcome

Review of protocols for online meeting

Guest introduction

7:05

p.m.

Agenda

Minutes

Susanna Parker

Chair

Objective:

Acceptance of 07/21/22 agenda

Acceptance of 06/16/22 minutes

7:10

p.m.

Mid County Directors Report Luisa Cardona

MC RSC Director

115k mail in ballots, counting has started, anticipating sending in results to certify by 8/12. You can actually watch them stream the counting live, and any discrepancies in the votes go to a panel to discuss

Fees for the Marian Fryer CUPF fees are being decided next week

Summer concert series, the next session is tomorrow

Renovations of Noyes library in Kensington have started, it's being expanded **for ADA accessibility and additional services, they are accepting feedback for thoughts**

Amherst bikeway project

Objective: Update on the Mid
County Regional Area

7:15

p.m.

Wheaton Urban District
Advisory Committee Report

Rob Fox

WUDAC Liaison

Objective: Updates

WUDAC Updates provided

7:20

p.m.

MCPS Dr. Jennifer Webster

Mr. Christopher Turk

Directors, Learning

Achievement, and

Administration

MCPS

Objective: Updates on the
summer work to plan for
school safety

Welcome & Introductions

Talking:

Mr. Chris Turk
Director of School Support and Well-Being

Dr. Jenn Webster
Director of School Support and Well-Being

Ms. Shauna-Kay Jorandby
Director of Student Engagement, Behavioral Health, and Academics

Mr. Ed Clarke
Chief Safety Officer



Agenda

Talking: Jenn Webster

- Summary of System Priorities
- Feedback from Schools
- Support for Student, Family & Community Wellness
- Emergency Preparedness
- Question & Answer

System Priorities

Talking: Jenn Webster

Priority Area 1	Engaging Our Stakeholders and Rebuilding Trust
Priority Area 2	Ensuring Health and Social-Emotional Wellness
Priority Area 3	Equitable Teaching and Learning in Every School

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Priority Area 1

Engaging Our Stakeholders and Rebuilding Trust

Talking: Jenn Webster

Examples:

- Eliciting more regular feedback from the community
- Increased one-on-one outreach to parents to learn about their experience with the school
- Strengthening communication protocols
- Focus on restorative practices with students

Priority Area 2

Ensuring Health and Social-Emotional Wellness

Talking: Christophe Turk

Examples:

- Engagement of our Student Well-Being Teams to respond to overall school culture and climate feedback
- Mindfulness and Wellness Rooms
- Equitable classroom management practices to create positive learning environments
- Focus on promoting self care and access to mental health supports
- Leveraging community partnerships

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Priority Area 3

Equitable Teaching and Learning in Every School

Talking: Christophe Turk

Examples:

- Professional learning on the use of student learning data to improve first instruction
- Clarity on the essential learning elements for students and responsive intervention to keep students on track
- Structured literacy approach to early literacy learning
- Emphasis on the elements of effective first instruction

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Support for Student, Family, and Community Wellness

Talking: Christophe Turk

- Well-Being Enhancers
- Expansion of Mental Health, Wellness, and Community Supports
- Expansion of Community Schools & Program Partnerships

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Well-Being Enhancers

Talking: Shauna-Kay Jorandby,...



Student Well-Being Teams

- Documented roles and responsibilities of the whole team and individual members
 - Communication plan to students, teachers, and the community
- Needs assessments for very vulnerable populations
 - ex. emergent multi-lingual learners



Mindfulness Rooms

- Resources and support to build staff buy-in
- Mindfulness room or Mindfulness corners
- Defined practices for teachers to model



Peer Support Groups

- Interwoven with consistent wellness time
- training for students alongside staff through community partnerships
- list of community partners and best practices



Consistent Wellness Time

- 30-50 minutes per week
- repository of lessons, resources, or practices both for SEL lessons and consistent wellness time
 - list of community partners



Multi-Tier System of Support

- Full data monitoring for students on a social worker's caseload(HS)
- Training of trainers and professional learning progression
 - ex. de-escalation, mindfulness
- Students receiving tier II and III supports on track to benefit from tier I supports

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Expansion of Mental Health, Wellness, and Community Supports

Talking: Shauna-Kay Jorandby...

- Addition of mental health staff to schools
- Additional specialists in focused on wellness in smaller service areas
- Handle with Care initiative with MCPD
- **Staff Training**
 - Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS and Bounce Back)
 - Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)
 - Neurosequential Model in Education (NME) training
 - La Cultura Cura/Circle Keeper Training
 - Trauma Informed Teaching

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Expansion of Community Schools

Talking: Shauna-Kay Jorandby...

As a component of Be Well 365 student well-being framework, Community Schools in Montgomery County are based upon the Governor's criteria around FARMS rates under the funding of Senate Bill 1030. Through a concentrated series of interventions and supports each school will focus on culturally responsive relationship building, mental and emotional health, trauma informed practices, restorative practices, and physical health and wellness in addition to ensuring quality instruction that has a greater impact on the overall school community.

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Talking: Shauna-Kay Jorandby,...

2019–2020 Schools

- Gaithersburg Elementary * ^
- Harmony Hills Elementary * ^
- Highland Elementary * ^
- JoAnn Leleck Elementary at Broad Acres * ^
- New Hampshire Estates Elementary * ^
- Sargent Shriver Elementary ^
- South Lake Elementary ^
- Wheaton Woods Elementary ^

2020–2021 Schools

- Arcola Elementary ^
- Georgian Forest Elementary ^
- Jackson Road Elementary
- Kemp Mill Elementary^
- Rolling Terrace Elementary * ^
- Summit Hall Elementary * ^
- Watkins Mill Elementary
- Weller Road Elementary * ^

2021–2022 Schools

- Captain James E. Daly Elementary
- Oak View Elementary ^
- Whetstone Elementary

2022–2023 Schools

- Bel Pre
- Brookhaven
- Clopper Mill
- Cresthaven
- Roscoe Nix
- Twinbrook
- Washington Grove

* Denotes School-based Health Center on-site staffed with full-time healthcare provider
^ Denotes Linkages to Learning school

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Examples of Additional Wraparound Services

Talking: Shauna-Kay Jorandby,...

- Extended Learning Time (afterschool, weekends, summer learning, extended school year)
- Safe Transportation to School
- Vision & Dental Care Services
- School-based health centers
- Physical Wellness and Healthy Meals
- Behavioral or Mental Health Services
- PD to school staff for Trauma Informed Interventions
- Student Enrichment Experiences
- Student Attendance
- Learning Environment at School
- Professional Development for Teachers and Staff
- Workforce Development Training
- Family & Community Engagement and Supports
- Early Education Programs
- Language Classes

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Safety & Security Updates

Talking Ed Clarke

- Summer Training for School Teams
- Staffing Updates to Support Schools' Emergency Preparedness

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From Philip Ardanuy to Everyone 07:30 PM

Looking at the strategic plan, MCPS Strategic Plan

FY 2018-2021, which seems to only go through 2021 by the way, I don't see an overarching vision. There is an excellent mission statement: "The mission of Montgomery County Public Schools is to ensure every student has the academic, creative problem solving, and social emotional skills to be successful in college, career and community, regardless of background." But, a Vision is where you want to be as a "to-be" state. The Vision, compared to today's "as-is" state, allows the definition of gaps that can be closed. The three Outcomes and Program Indicators support the Mission, and appear to focus on an unstated vision. What is the vision? Perhaps, to ensure that every County student is provided with the intellectual tools needed to become fulfilled, creative, collaborative, contributive, and value-adding members of our community."

Tameka - Wrap around services to help families in the evenings or over the weekends?

From Christophe Turk to Everyone 07:52 PM

Tameka: Great question. Also including our link to summer programming here. MCPS has a range of elementary and secondary programming taking place.

<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/coronavirus/summer-programs.aspx>

From Shauna-Kay Jorandby, Director of Student Engagement, Behavioral, to Everyone 07:54 PM
Waymaking Series:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkZwAghwrSyvlgVRCWXjpiI4iBWRKOLwl>

Mindfulness Site:

<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/student-services/wellbeing/mindfulness.aspx>

Arquilla – concerns about after school or skipping school issues for older children/teenagers;
Shauna-Kay – variety of interventions available, including mental health resources, other supports, in extreme cases there is truancy court; work with local business owners on both sides, including rules about students being allowed or not during the school day, there is a great deal of difficulty, particularly with older kids;

Jenn Webster – from working at Wheaton high school, they faced some unique challenges this year with kids from other high schools and their kids going to other ones, the post pandemic phenomenon is making them monitor attendance and responding more tightly; behavior during the school day still has school consequences because they're supposed to be in school;

Rob Fox – thoughts on the efficacy and mental impacts of active shooter drills

Ed Clarke – all schools have to conduct 6 active shooter drills in the academic year, they don't want to increase the anxiety of schools and staff, do it in an appropriate way, have best practices, let students know what they need to do in the moment of crisis, how to best do those drills and look across the state for best practices,

Arquilla – there's a nationwide teacher shortage and how are you all working to deal with that in your schools?

Jenn Webster – hustling to be fully staffed; nothing crazy, they can still open school, they're in good shape and just need finishing touches, and in key education areas they're working harder

Shauna-Kay – not in a terrible spot, a lot of news reporting around this, a Post article this week talked about where they were compared to neighboring counties, which was flat, a little more scarce in mental health workers in the state, in the area of school psychologist, trying not to use the same old practices, one of two districts considered stable, there is a job fair on 8/2 so if you know anyone who has taught or would like to; also did a retire/rehire rehiring of teachers who have retired recently; will see a vacancy here or there but they're not clustered,

Arquilla – have you ever considered year round schools in MoCo?

Shauna-kay – there are two pilot year round schools in the county

Jenn Webster – they are exploring it as a model

Susanna – start time changes for high school students to match their body clocks better?

Jenn Webster – there isn't a lot of that yet, there were some thoughts during the pandemic, but transportation challenges make that harder to pull off, they've been focusing on wellness, safety and so on for bell times

Christophe Turk – there is a survey that's live until the end of July for all stakeholders, until 7.29 that's available on their website, there's space to provide input and submit thoughts; Survey can be found here:

<https://novisurvey.net/ns/TakeSurveyPage.aspx?s=93c2d7dd5d9546ba94719d436c62371a&tsid=dae07c53467f4fdb9a4cb2733b176b72&c=en-US>

Serge – supplemental nutrition programs for students?

Amy Beal – working with capital area food bank and weekend bags for food, and received a grant for families from 10 schools to receive produce bags from local farmers of seasonal produce, 20lbs, there is a food and diaper distribution at Wheaton woods tomorrow and be giving out gift cards as well

Susanna – have you connect to MoCo food council?

Amy Beal – I'm on that as well so yes we're working on that

Dianne: Community schools can be found here-

<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement/community-schools/>

8:18

David from Evan Glass' office with Leg update

Not much going on this next week before the August recess, just got through the elections, looking forward to 6 new council members, majority of which will be female, currently only one female member; bill from C. Glass for single occupancy restrooms to display a sign indicating an all gender restroom to allow for needed flexibilities for different genders and different care circumstances such as caregivers/parent of different gender going in with someone; Public hearing that all new or substantially renovated buildings need some energy efficiency upgrades, different than net zero, more efficient heat pumps and water cooling systems;

Delayed for another time

2022-2023 MCCAB Executive

Board Nominations

Susanna Parker

Chair

Objective: Elect new Executive

Board members for the 2022-

2023 MCCAB

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p.m.

Community Concerns Community members

Objective:

Opportunity for public comments

Dianne Whitaker MCPL branch manager of Wheaton library – taking on new role on 8/1 as regional manager of Olney, Kensington, Wheaton, and White Oak libraries, reorganization to have 6 regional managers, busy with summer reading, prizes are various missions to help the Chesapeake bay, all the branches are having different programs to support it

Are there going to be in person meetings of this group in the future?

Louisa we've decided on a hybrid capacity and also on having happy hours to interact in person more

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Adjourn Susanna Parker

Chair

Objective:

Close out meeting