**Minutes of the Governing Council Meeting**

Date: December 21, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Middle College High School via Videoconference

Meeting was a videoconference call with all materials available at mchsgallup.com

**Governing Council Members**:

Dr. Matthew Mingus, President – Present

Dr. Betty Sutliff, Vice President – Present

Monica Yazzie, Secretary – Present

Lisa Bracken, Member – Present

Olin Kieyoomia, Member – Not Present

Ms. Janene Yazzie, Member - Present

Agenda Item I

1. Call to Order-Dr. Mingus called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm
2. Roll Call declared open meeting; quorum was present for the meeting.

Agenda Item II

1. Approval of the December 21, 2022 Agenda: ***Dr. Mingus asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Monica Yazzie motioned to approve, seconded by Ms. Lisa Bracken. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***
2. Approval of the November 30, 2022 Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented: ***Dr. Mingus asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Janene Yazzie motioned to approve, seconded by Ms. Monica Yazzie. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***

Agenda Item III

1. Public Comment: ***No public comment***.
2. Teacher’s Report:  ***No teacher’s report.***
3. Counselor’s Report: ***No Counselor’s report.***
4. Principal’s Report: ***No Principal’s report.***
5. GC Board Members’ Reports**: *Ms. Bracken asked how a parent would inquire about MCHS admissions for the 2023-2024 school year? Dr. Hunter answered that they can come to the MCHS office for information. Dr. Mingus reported that all grades for UNM were due at 5pm on December 21st and should be posted.***
6. CEO’s Report
   1. Fire Marshal Site Visit: ***Dr. Hunter reported the Fire Marshal made a site visit back in November. The school has had the fire extinguishers serviced, a street address sign placed on the MCHS portable building and specialized batteries on order to replace in the EXIT signs.***
   2. Equity Council: Extended Learning Implementation: ***Dr. Hunter reported that 21 students will be returning to do extended learning for their MCHS classes that are in need of credit recovery from fall semester. The extended learning will be January 5 through January 13, 2023. Dr. Hunter notified all the student’s families and have confirmed that their student will attend. Notification letters were also mailed home. Dr. Hunter was concerned about the failure rate in specific subjects to be a little high, therefore, the school will examine grading practices and look at professional development materials that address more equitable approaches to assessing students’ learning and teachers’ cultural responsiveness.***
   3. Public Education and Legislative Updates: ***Dr. Hunter reported that MCHS will be renewing its five-year contract next year. Dr. Hunter explained that the Performance Framework seems to be putting more emphasis in how the students perform on state tests. Because of this, it becomes more important that the students do their best on state assessments in the spring. Dr. Hunter mentioned the monthly call that Tribal education leaders have with Secretary Steinhaus, in which the conversation remains focused on the use of funds in supporting better outcomes for students. Indian Educations dollars have increased and areas that are being looked at legislatively are additional instructional hours and more funding for instructional materials.***

Agenda Item IV

Action Items-New Business:

1. Business Office Action Items

1. Discussion and Possible Action on School Wellness Policy:  ***Dr. Hunter reported that this policy should be completed and uploaded to the system in time for the administrative review for our food service program. Dr. Hunter wanted to include Ms. Janene Yazzie’s input of providing healthy and locally grown food options for students, if possible. A statement was added that if organizations/vendors are willing to work with MCHS, we would be able to provide them the appropriate contact information for them to request their inclusion on the state’s approved vendor list. Dr. Mingus asked for a motion to approve the School Wellness Policy. Ms. Monica Yazzie motioned to approve, seconded by Dr. Sutliff. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***
2. Discussion and Possible Action on Nov WF Bank Rec, Nov Bento Bank Rec, Nov Check Register: ***Financial documents presented by Ms. Katie Rarick. Dr. Mingus asked for a motion to approve all financial documents. Dr. Sutliff motioned to approve, seconded by Ms. Monica Yazzie. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***
3. Discussion and Possible Action on BARs: ***No BAR’s to report.***

Adjourn: ***With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Monica Yazzie, seconded by Ms. Lisa Bracken. Roll call vote with all members in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 5:00 pm.***

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Dr. Matthew Mingus, Council President

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