

**Marvin Ridge High School**  
**Site-Based Management Team Meeting**  
September 30, 2015  
3:10 PM – 4:45 PM

**Members Present**

Donna Cook	Kelly Lang-Ramirez
Shannon Long	Amy Sutherland
Matt Lasher	Courtney Mueller
David Thomson	Meryl Baumgarten
Carren Heartley	Sandra Tran
Hillary Steere	Debbie Every
Ann Ennis	Justin Jones
Alice Shrader	Steven Wilson
Karen Shelton	Victoria Liccione

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

Ms. Cook welcomed all members of the Site-base team, and each member introduced themselves.

**2. Designation of Site-Based Chairperson & Secretary**

Justin Jones accepted the position of Chair for another year, and Carren Heartley was elected secretary.

**3. TEDx Talks Youth Event Information from Andrew Pendergast**

Andrew applied for and was granted a license to hold a Tedx Youth event at MRHS. The event will be Dec 4<sup>th</sup> during 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and into 3<sup>rd</sup> block. The goal is to expand horizons of student populations and community to engage in global dialogue; help students gain sense of connection with global academic community; foster the ability of students to earn their passport to the world; gain the benefit of having multiple ideas broadcast to a larger audience. Need staff help to increase interest level among students. Max of 100 person audience; but may be able to live stream event into different areas of the school to increase audience limits.

Tentative Timeline:

- Broadcast on morning announcements immediately
- Interest Meeting 10/6
- Application due 10/9 (short, getting to know you application)
- Selection Team meeting 10/12 (work day)
- Students notified of acceptance by 10/13
- First draft due 10/30
- 2<sup>nd</sup> draft due 11/9
- Final draft before Thanksgiving
- Rehearsals first week of December

#### **4. Community Read Update**

Ms Arant gave updates: Oct 22 – 23; incorporating Bullying Week; promotional video shown on Friday 10/2 during 2<sup>nd</sup> block; survey students about needs assessment re: important issues – survey through google forms second week of October

Oct 7 staff meeting – talk about resources/warning signs for depression, suicide, policies/procedures for dealing with these issues

Community Read Week – staff book club meeting 10/20, staff talk with each other before talking to students, that evening have parents come in for a parent book club (maybe continue parent book club throughout year); Jay Asher will present to the community on Thursday 10/22; Friday 10/23 Jay Asher presents all to students during 3<sup>rd</sup> block.

Community presentation – invitation is open to all

School Day – in addition to the assemblies for all students during third block, small groups to meet with Mr Asher, more focused on writing and publishing processes

#### **5. October 19 – Academic Options Meeting**

Will be rescheduled due to Community Read week (too many evening events in one week); will be designed to help freshmen/ sophomores (primarily) map out their future high school years; give information and options regarding IB, AP/Honors, Career and College Promise (SPCC program), Career and Technical Education Options (co-ops, internships, academies) and on-line educational options (UC and NC Virtual). Will invite all families and have a broad overview of all options; then a panel discussion for questions; this meeting will be for current MRHS students and families.

#### **6. Discussion of Strategies and Actions for School Improvement Goal:**

a. Develop, implement, and evaluate policies to ensure that each student is well known by at least one adult advocate in the school who supports that student's educational experience.

Action strategies: seek to gain information from juniors and seniors about their relationships with staff/adults and not just sophomores which is the group surveyed by UCPS; discussion regarding mentors for every student; importance of developing relationships with freshmen

- Survey students regarding advocates – do you have one? Do you want one?
- Survey staff – identify students who may not be well-known or have an adult advocate

Oct 28 – next MRHS Site-Based meeting