

**Morinville Community High School Council Meeting**  
**For Tuesday, March 15, 2016 (Special Meeting had been held on March 3 instead)**  
**School Administrative Team Report**

*Note that trustworthiness goes beyond integrity to include real competence as well. You have to be true to your word, but also very good at what you do.*

**Michael Fullan**

This is the March 2016 School Council Administration Report that was not presented at our regular meeting due to the special meeting held on March 3. This report will be sent out electronically to all School Council members and posted on the school website.

If you have any questions/feedback/suggestions/advice, please contact us prior to the April 19 meeting or bring your discussion item to that meeting.

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MCHS is an excellent school and we are committed to continue to improve. The following is a brief historical update of what has taken place to this time. It is our custom at each School Council Meeting to share a report in this type of format for your review and consideration. Our hope is that we will discuss and revisit various topics throughout the term as this document serves only as a starting point for discussion and action. This report serves only as a very brief introduction to a number of topical areas that will be examined in greater depth over the course of this school year.

**Open House - March 10**

We are not sure exactly how many people attended the event on this particular evening, but it was a sizeable number. In keeping with the past two open house events, we incorporated colleges, universities and a few recruiters to our evening. This has been done to align what happens in high school to what is possible once they graduate. If the post-secondary institutions are there, parents and students can see what is required for the different programs and begin to program appropriately.

This year we also scheduled two sessions about high school programming 9-12, to better assist parents in understanding course progression and requirements.

We had a number of post-secondary institutions and other organizations there:

- Athabasca University
- MacEwan University
- NorQuest College
- CDI College
- Marvel College
- NAIT
- Kings University College
- Keyano College
- Portage College
- Pixel Blue Academy
- Morinville Fire Department
- Alberta Learning Clicks (Alberta Advanced Education)
- Military Family Resource Centre
- Canadian Armed Forces
- RCMP
- Careers: Next Generation

There were displays from Legal School and GH Primeau emphasizing the K to 12 journey in Morinville and Legal with GSACRD.

In speaking to the various post-secondaries and other organizations, they were happy with the response that they received. Again, as we found last year, these post-secondaries have never been asked to attend a high school open house, other than at MCHS.

With any event that we run, we try to ask a series of questions at the end:

- What worked well?
- What challenges were evident?
- What can we do to improve for next year?

From the Council's perspective, what are your thoughts of Open House?

### **2016/2017 Student Timetable Update**

Work realistically began at the start of this school year, initially with looking at what was working so far this year and what challenges we were experiencing. One of the challenges is determining how many blocks of different classes are needed (i.e. English 30-1 and English 30-2) and when they can be offered to create as few conflicts with student requests as possible.

This year we have started the registration process earlier than in previous years and all current students, grades 9-11 have received packages. GHP and Legal students have also been visited at their schools and packages given, along with information on what is possible.

So far the return rate of registration packages is significantly better than last year at the same point in time.

One factor that we need to continue to accommodate is to increase the number of students taking English 30-1 and 30-2 in semester 1, making them eligible to register in the NorQuest ENGL 1011 in semester 2 if they so decide

#### **MCHS School Discipline Report -**

- For the Period of August 31, 2011 to March 13, 2012 there were 58 suspensions earned by students.
- For the period of August 31, 2012 to March 18, 2013 there were 59 suspensions earned by students.
- For the period of August 31, 2013 to March 17, 2014 there were 30 suspensions earned by students.
- For the period of August 31, 2014 to March 16, 2015 there were 22 suspensions earned by 18 students.
- For the period of August 31, 2015 to March 14, 2016 there were 22 suspensions earned by 18 students.

#### **PACK Day/Flex Programming Update**

Links to the Survey Monkey results for students, parents and faculty were emailed directly to School Council members about a week ago. The results provide an interesting read and will require a fair amount of time to analyze. The majority of the April School Council Meeting will be spent going over the results.

At this time, we will continue to move forward with planning for PACK Day in the coming months of semester 2 and in preparation for 2016/2017.