

MILLARD NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL
MUSTANG ADVISORY GROUP

MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES

January 11, 2010 at 4:15 p.m.

Conference Room B

Introductions

Attendees at this meeting included Joannie Wilson, Ron Wulfkuhle, Margie Wulfkuhle, Jacki Wild, Susan Pape, Donna Walsh, Sara Sleep, Yvette Cordell and Rebecca White. All attendees introduced themselves and stated their role as officer/committee chair. A contact list was then produced consisting of members' telephone numbers.

Committee Chair Reports

- **Social Chairperson, Jacki Wild**, discussed the Sixth Grade Social preceding the Sixth Grade Concert on Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. She stated she could obtain the cookies from Hy-Vee, and lemonade could also be served. To promote MAG, a tri-fold would be presented at one of the tables. Brochures would also be available to inform parents of the MAG mission statement, names of officers/chairpersons and contact information. A sign-up sheet was suggested to allow parents to volunteer for various opportunities. To advertise the social, an Alert Now Message would be sent via telephone and email.

Jacki proposed an end-of-the-year picnic for incoming sixth graders and upcoming seventh/eighth graders. Each family would bring their own blanket and food. Popsicles would be provided by MAG. A possible date of Sunday, May 23, 2010 was suggested.

- **Fundraising Chairperson, Rebecca White**, announced the profit made from various fundraisers: coffee sales, magazine sales and spirit wear sales. Money raised would be utilized to obtain benches and a table in front of the school.
- **Tutoring Chairperson, Donna Walsh**, stated she had discussed with Joy Waller, a counselor at MNMS, regarding establishing a tutoring program. Donna suggested the need for parent volunteers regarding certain subjects (primarily Math and Science).
- **Chairperson for the Eighth Grade Send-off Party, Yvette Cordell**, announced the first meeting for this committee would take place on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. (Post-meeting note: After the MAG meeting, this was postponed to January 26 and, since then, been cancelled. Yvette will be available on February 8 and 10 during Parent-Teacher Conferences to discuss volunteer opportunities for this committee.) The Eighth Grade Send-off Party is scheduled for Friday, May 21, 2010 from 7-9 p.m.

MNMS Update

- **Joannie Wilson, MNMS Principal**, announced that the capacity number for students attending MNMS is 850. Therefore, there is still room for growth next year.

Joannie also discussed Nebraska Teacher Appreciation Day on March 2. There are approximately 65 teachers at MNMS. Gifts were suggested for each of them.

The Millard School District has used six snow days to date, which exceeds the four allotted for the school year. It is unknown when and if school days will need to be made up. (Post-meeting note: During the Millard Board of Education Meeting on January 25, the decision was made regarding the snow days. Students *will* attend school on Thursday, February 11, and Monday, March 15, which had previously been scheduled for teacher conference/work days.)

Directory and Yearbook Discussion

- Decisions were made regarding the MNMS Directory and MNMS Yearbook. Rebecca White volunteered to lead these two efforts: (1) the directory as a test project; and (2) the sale of spaces for next year's yearbook. We will not charge for the directories.

Calendar and MAG Group Link

- Sara Sleep will establish a calendar of events/activities to be viewed through the MNMS website. In addition, a MAG group link will be implemented on the school website to post meeting notes, agendas, etc.

Strategic Planning Meeting

- Rebecca White and Susan Pape plan to attend the Strategic Planning Meeting at ESU #3 on January 28, 2010 from 8 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m. Teachers from MNMS attending this meeting will be Tim Abts and Jamie Stinson.

Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting date for MAG will be February 1, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the MNMS library. Essential information for the MNMS volunteers, including training and explanation of policies, will be covered at this meeting.