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Meeting was held via Zoom beginning at 4:30. A quorum was established.

- I. Attendance: B. Chidester, M. DaSilva, K. Peecher, C. Munzert, C. Booth, S. Stringer, K. Tomkinson, L. Cadman, J. Colaneri, J. Lawson, A. Lawlor, J. McDonald, S. Pedro, L. Berard, D. Achilli, C. Dutra, A. Arsenault, M. Camara, T. DelSanto, K. D'Angelo, J. Lafazia, B. Leger, P. Jackson
 - A. Administrators: D. Sanna, T. Fogell, E. Clarke, J. Brice, T. Wood
- II. Question & Answer With District Administrators
 - A. Evaluation
 1. Dr. Brice feels this is a “no fault evaluative year” and principals need to be flexible with SLO data gathering. This is a balancing act focusing on doing our best in difficult circumstances.
 2. Too many options in the RIDE menu
 3. Families need to know this is a regular school year and students are learning.
 - B. Ventilation
 1. Windows should only be opened a few inches, according to Dr. Brice
 2. Some classrooms may need more than one air purifier. Contact J. Brice regarding this.
 3. The reports on the system were not in the school's possession at the time of the meeting.
 4. Administrators stress teachers need to “stay in your bubble” with students and adults. Faculty shouldn't be eating together, according to Dr. Brice
 - C. Elementary Teachers' Expectations
 1. Elementary teachers are overwhelmed and stressed with providing work for students learning at home.
 2. Expressed concern about posting lessons on Google Classroom
 3. Teaching synchronously is in the future
 - D. Mt. Hope Attestation Forms
 1. J. Brice will contact the principal regarding attestation forms not being checked.
 2. RIDOH contact tracing is lapsed; often the district is contracted by the faculty or parent regarding testing results.
 3. RIDOH has asked schools to help with contact tracing. The district asks individuals to stay home pending RIDOH contact.
 4. An East Bay team for contact tracing has formed.
 - E. Communication Delays
 1. Teachers expressed concerns about learning information after families.
 - F. Curriculum Pacing and Screen Time
 1. J. Brice stated he completes random checks of grades on ASPEN.
 2. Not as concerned about pacing guides; district administrators were originally concerned about students being defiant. That is not the case.
 - G. Teachers on Quarantine

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1. There are unlimited "covid" days where teachers can work from home with a learning fellow in the classroom.
2. FCRA 10 days expire on 12/31/20

H. Parents

1. When Brice is contacted by a parent, he says approximately 50% of the time, teachers do not have documentation for why a grade was given.
2. J. Brice stated he is not a proponent of extra credit.

I. High School "Trade" Programs

1. Reading, writing, and math skills are needed first.
2. Other programs at MHHS are business finance and engineering. Will be adding construction, cyber-security, and bio-science tech.
3. There are feeder programs at KMS.

J. PD Days

1. Teachers are entitled to a prep and lunch time.

III. Building Issues

- A. Colt-Andrews - there is now hot water in the bathrooms
- B. Guiteras - nothing to report
- C. Hugh Cole - concerns about digital learning teachers
- D. KMS - nothing to report
- E. Rockwell - nothing to report
- F. Mt. Hope - nothing to report

IV. Reports

- A. Co-Presidents - nothing to report
- B. Vice-President - new school committee will be sworn in after Thanksgiving
- C. Secretary - nothing to report
- D. Treasurer - tax returns are available for public viewing, follow up with new teachers regarding NEARI membership forms
 1. M. DaSilva motions for BWEA to make a donation to the NEARI Gingerbread Express double the amount of past donations. K. D'Angelo seconds. Passes unanimously
- E. Elementary Grievance Chair - nothing to report
- F. Middle Level Grievance Chair - 1 in abeyance
- G. High School Grievance Chair - 1 in abeyance, 1 at Level 2 resolved

Meeting adjourned 6:55pm