

TMS Community Council Minutes
March 20, 2025

In Attendance: Jim Judd, Kathryn North, Miranda Taylor, Dena Blood, Erin Sabey, Crystal Freeman, Janalee Dorrity

Absent: Wesley Mangum, Jennifer Potter

Miranda Taylor made a motion to approve the Jan 2025 minutes and Dena Blood seconded it. All in attendance agreed.

Crystal Freeman did a presentation from the counseling dept. She said they discovered last year that the incoming 6th graders lacked skills in emotional regulation, resilience and executive functioning toward academic skills. To address these issues this year, counselors came up with 4 points of action. They are:

1. Summer Challenge – all 5th graders coming into 6th grade this school year were asked to do 5 things over the summer to build confidence.
2. Counselors have given 3 lessons in 6th grade classes which address these topics.
3. Counselors met with all 6th graders within the first 100 days of school.
4. At the end of each term, 6th graders with a 2.0 GPA or below are called into the counselor's office to see how they can help them. These students are automatically pulled into shield classes as needed.

Crystal said they have seen some good results. 60% of students with a GPA of 2.0 or below have raised their GPA by .5. Also, 6th graders are not having as many urgent needs to meet with counselors. The counselors plan to continue meeting with all students who have a GPA of 2.0 or below at the end of terms. Jim mentioned that the district has found that students struggle the most when they are transitioning into new schools so the counselors action plan has definitely helped with this situation.

Jim then presented the school land trust plan for the 2025-26 school year. It is:

1. Hire a paraprofessional aide to run the library so it frees up Hadly Bingham to do her instructional coaching job. (\$22,000)
2. Hire a paraprofessional aide to run the intervention program. (\$22,000)
3. Keep Yuri Jenson on as a family and community coordinator. (\$105,000)
4. Have the Guiding Coalition team oversee all aspects of the school improvement plan. (\$18,487)

Erin Sabey made a motion to approve the school land trust plan for the 2025-26 school year and Kathryn North seconded it. All in attendance agreed.

There will be no more community council meetings this year unless a need arises.

Kathryn North made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Miranda Taylor seconded it.