

## School Site Council Meeting Notes: 9/27/23

### 1. Welcome members and public participants

#### a. Newly Elected Members

Parent: Liz McDonald (New)

Parent: Connor Baldwin:

Parent: Hamza Arachi:

Parent: Beth Tripathi

\*Nominated parent Rebecca Starcevic stepped down due to work conflicts. Alternate Beth Tripathi took her position as the fourth parent representative.

Returning Member Introductions:

Chair: Lori Lang: Principal

Teacher Representative: Tracy Blanchard: 5-8 Student Support

Teacher Representative: Erin Hebert: 6th Math/Science teacher and Enrichment Coordinator

Teacher Representative: Mary Wood: Librarian

### 2. Budget

#### a. FY 23 Total \$133,298.00 budgeted

#### b. General Supplies \$53, 298.00 budgeted remaining \$15,775.35

General School supplies as well as teachers allotted \$400 for classroom supplies

#### c. Professional Development \$20,000 budgeted remaining \$19,680.00

ILT and ACV PD and Orientation PD

#### d. Technology \$15,000 budgeted remaining \$11,925.00

Need 2 new ClearTouch Board... researching smaller board options

#### e. Contracted Services \$15,000 budgeted remaining \$15,000.00

Programming... Assemblies

#### f. Instructional Supplies \$30,000 budgeted. remaining \$10,093.89

Curriculum Materials... Envisions workbooks and materials, Schoology, Letterland , ST Math

#### g. Student Activities \$4,186.90

Cougar Cafe

#### h. PTO Booster account \$3,912.56

Money from selling tickets which is then used to purchase scripts for the musical etc

#### i. Staffing 2 Vacant Staff Positions (CSA Paraprofessionals 2-4 and 5-8)

### 3. School Improvement Planning, PD & Enrichment

#### a. QIP Actions Steps for 2023/2024

##### i. ACV (Arts and Cultural Vitality Team)-meets monthly

CLSP Goal: Co-planning with Acera EI, backwards mapping the year

Salsa and Bachata (Hispanic Heritage Month)

Electronics Arts Night (STEAM Night)

##### ii. IPT (Inclusionary Practices Team)-meets monthly

Kim Bradley and Katie Urbine: Intervention supports focused on inclusionary practices and team teaching

#### b. Professional Learning Activities

##### i. Opening Day 2023-2024 (Wayfinder Training, New TAT Process, IPT)

Health: working on what standards to cover and possible opt-out options for parents with middle school students

##### ii. CPT- Rotate between Student Support, IPT and Content Coaching

- iii. Planning-Staff Meeting and 12/6/23 PD
- c. New Instrumental Music course/opportunities
  - i. Beginner Band 5/6 and 7/8  
During the school day rotating out of allied arts.
  - ii. Instrumental Music classes for grades 2-4
  - iii. Advanced Jazz Band  
Students had to tryout last year for enrollement
- d. Exciting New/Continued Partnerships:
  - i. Acera EI (Salsa/Bachata Night 9/29 and Electronic Arts Night 10/18)
  - ii. MRT (Merrimack Repertory Theatre)-Red and A Christmas Carol  
"Red" Workshop with K-2 students and "Christmas Carol" 6-8 block of tickets. Drama Ensemble and Costume Group: Tour, Show and Q&A
  - iii. Youth Build-Shedd Project- Christina Shanahan (Waiting on Supplies)

#### 4. Progress Monitoring

- a. iReady- Math completed (minus a few), ELA started this week
- b. Dibels- Grades 1-3 Testing now through 10/6
- c. DESSA Rating System (October)
- d. ACCESS testing (spring)
- e. MCAS Testing – Data to be presented at October Meeting  
Audrey Crawford-Rivera and Heidi Otis to present to SSC out data in October

#### 5. Facilities

- a. Outstanding Issues-New stage curtain
- b. New Capital Projects
  - i. Shed Project \$3,575.53 (General Supplies)
  - ii. Standing AC Units \$4,248.40 (General Supplies)  
Have not arrived yet
  - iii. Wayfinder Health/SEL Curriculum K-8 \$9,750.00 (Instructional)
  - iv. Envisions Math \$7,473.00 (Instructional)
  - v. PowerSchool-Schoology \$2,895.00 (Tech)

#### 6. Health and Safety Information

- a. Crisis Plan updated and submitted.  
Drill planned for November
- b. Fire Drill-First completed (one per quarter)  
First drill went very well.
- c. SBIRT-7th grade screener (October)  
7th grade screen: Screen concerning things like: drinking, smoking, vaping etc. Parents can opt-out. Done by nurse and guidance counselor  
Lori Lang and Pelton trained last year in I Decide to assist students addicted to vaping.
- d. COVID- minor impact at this time

#### 7. Public Participation

- a. A way to introduce new and old staff to parents that are present within the classroom
- b. COVID policy posted to website/ Playbill and link for free tests