



Somerville Public Schools

West Somerville Neighborhood School

177 Powder House Blvd

Somerville, MA 02144

School Council Meeting Minutes

October 24th, 2018

5:00-6:30 PM

West Somerville Neighborhood School, Room 205

Present: Leslie Lartey, Brenda Williams, Marissa Roque, Kathleen Brewer, Kati Dias, Emily Piper, Coleen Cunningham, Mel Callahan, Wylin Wilson, Kathleen Seward

1. Minutes Approval—Seward to email minutes—page was missing
2. Principal Update (5)
 - a. Welcome and introduction of new members—all members introduced themselves
 - b. Trips, approved
 - c. Transgender pd
 - d. New tables
3. Staff Update (5)
 - a. K trip to Wilson farms update and behind the scenes
 - b. 2nd floor-settling in and learning how to get work done, kids checking grades, preview upcoming 8th grade trip to Kennedy center
 - c. Parent teacher sign up forms went home----due back November 1st
4. SFLC Liaison Update (5)
 - a. Legal clinic coming up on 10/25 and clothing pantry is available, they have switched to winter clothes, we are monitoring who needs a coat.
 - b.
5. Parent update (5)
 - a. Traffic and parking—nanny and babysitter pass only good near your house.
6. PTA Update (5)
 - a. Got the yellow school bus grant, \$200 into bus bucket
 - b. 71 members today---would like to get more
 - c. Story book and clothes swap went well—fall festival dance coming up 10/26, 6-8
 - d. Pies happening now-need volunteers to pass out pies
 - e. Wreath will start soon----they are 18 dollars, you will get it at teacher conf night.
 - f. Book fair- Nov 29th during day and during confs
 - g. Discussed having parents and kid volunteer for 11/29 conferences
7. WSNS Data Story, School Improvement 2018-2020, Kathleen Seward
 - a. Accountability data
 - b. Reading assessment initiative update

8. WSNS Playground redesign project
Arn Frantzen will come to next meeting.

Next Meeting: November 7th, 2018

Future Agenda items:

West Somerville Neighborhood School Goals, 2016-2018

- By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, attendance at school events will reflect, within 5 percentage points, the demographic make-up of the school.
- At the end of the 2017-2018 school year, the percentage of families (a representative sample) who report that they are happy with their level of involvement in the school will increase by 10 percentage points as compared to the results of the 2015-2016 school year survey.
- At the end of the 2017-2018 school year, the percentage of families (a representative sample) reporting that they have adequate information from school to support student learning at home will be improve by 10 percentage points as compared to the results of the 2015-2016 school year survey.
- At the end of the 2017-2018 school year, the make-up of parent boards will more closely reflect the demographic make-up of the school.
- By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, the composite performance indicator (CPI) gap between non-disabled and disabled peers will be reduced by at least 10 points in all tested areas.
- By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, WSNS students at all grade levels and in all sub-groups will have an SGP of 60 or higher.