

## School Council Meeting

Feb 15, 2022

### Attendees:

M. Benes-Rosecan (t), D. Brewster (p), J. Butler (t), Mary C. (s), H. Galante (a), B. Hester (p), D. Hudder (a), D. Kang (p), Jake K. (s), N. Myles (t), J. Stewart (p), J. Wysokowski (t)

### Norms & Agreements

- Share the air time
- Assume positive intent
- Start and end on time
- Value disagreement; disagree respectfully
- Be task-oriented and stick to the agenda

### AGENDA:

I. [Minutes from Jan 18](#) approved

II. Mask mandate

- Lifted as of 2/28
- Optional for each individual in school; required on school buses
- Strongly encouraged for unvaccinated
- Some concerns from the theater population

III. District equity statement

- Letter sent by J. Stewart and B. Hester to the Superintendent
- That letter has accelerated the conversation at the district level
- There have been multiple drafts of the statement thus far; it is being revised
- Hoping for it to be passed in April by School Committee

IV. Portrait of a Graduate

- Process happened beginning in 2019, passed in 2020
- Our group will take up review of the document with potential revisions next year

V. NEASC Initial Report

- We are officially accredited
- Feedback and recommendations are included - mostly came from our own self-reflection
- Inclusivity, support from adults were highlighted by our students in all populations - common theme
- We will review the Initial Report hopefully at the next meeting - will eventually craft a summary for the community at-large

#### VI. Q5

- Different way to end the school year with non-academic learning opportunities
- Reopening the conversation to potentially implement for 2022-23

#### VII. Transition for students

- 8th Grade Info Night - March 3
- Different date: panel opportunity about the transition to high school
  - Different voices
  - Will be recorded

#### VIII. Student Health and Wellness

- Concerns about upticks in vaping and drug use
- Was a worry going into the school year - unhealthy habits dealing with the stresses of
- Want to build preventative structures, help students make healthier, safer choices
- YRBS coming in March - will share data

#### IX. Next meeting

- March 15
- Potential Student Handbook changes

Mar 15-2:45-4:00 (longer for handbook)

Apr 12-2:45-4:00 (longer for handbook)

May 17-2:45-3:45

Attendance key:

s: student

p: parent

t: teacher

a: administrator

v: visitor