

John Winthrop School
School Governance Council

Meeting of Monday, November 14, 2016, 3:15pm

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 9, 2017, 3:15pm

In Attendance:

Amy Broad, Chair (teacher, second term expires June 2017)
Selena Morgan, Principal
Paula Keegan (community partner, second term expires November 2017)
Keshana Wiggins (parent, term expires November 2017)
Giselle Trikonis (parent, term expires November 2018)
Andrea Canuel (community partner, term expires November 2018)
Angela Marini (teacher, term expires June 2018)
Ana Badolato (parent, term expires November 2017)
Tracy Audena (parent, term expires November 2017)

Absent:

Sue Beres (teacher, term expires June 2017)
Daniele Azevedo-Silva (parent, term expires November 2017)
Lorie Daniel (teacher, term expires June 2017)
Katia Mariano (parent, term expires November 2018)
Nabil Ibrahim (teacher, term expires June 2017)

Primary focus of School Governance Council (SGC):

To make sure kids are safe, happy and learning.

The meeting was started at 3:30 by Mrs. Broad.

PAC Report:

Cookie Dough and Pie profit was \$2,000.
December 16 is a movie night. The last movie night (a fundraiser) showed an \$800 profit.
Mrs. Badolato soliciting small gift cards for students of the month (30 kids per month).
December holiday craft night is December 1, same as middle school science fair. Mrs. O'Neill will do the craft. Possibly include picture with Santa and earmark the funds for a trip or project?
International night will be end of January or beginning of February.

Mrs. Morgan's report plus School Climate:

Lockers in classes helps the hallways (traffic etc). In April, painting the lockers so they look like books, will make them look better.

SHU students are even painting the playground with hopscotch, etc.

Mrs. Morgan wants to remove two pieces of equipment, a yellow spinning thing and a red swinging thing, perhaps add a small slide. Looking into the expense (and it is expensive) of padding and rubber chips.

Mrs. Badolato is researching grants that will help pay for refurbishing playgrounds, such as a possible one from Verizon. An all-new playground would cost upwards of \$50,000. Roosevelt has a beautiful playground.

There was a nice article in the Bridgeport Voice about an AMP project.

This year Winthrop is a dual language school. Whenever 20+ kids speak a different language, announcements and flyers should be duplicated in that language, and other services must be provided.

Lighthouse use of classrooms is a source of concern. They leave the rooms messy, interfering with teachers timetables and afterschool availability, as well as simple cleanliness. Some of the Lighthouse kids seem out of control.

Next meeting:

We decided to cancel December, and instead meet January 9th instead of the 23rd.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Keegan

Meeting reminders:

Meeting dates for the year (usually Mondays; start time 3:15PM):

Tuesday, September 12, 2016, 3:15PM

Monday, October 17, 2016, 3:15PM

Monday, November 14, 2016, 3:15PM

Monday, December 19, 2016, 3:15PM (cancelled)

Monday, January 9, 2017, 3:15PM (changed from January 23rd)

Monday, March 13, 2017, 3:15PM

Monday, April 17, 2017, 3:15PM

Monday, May 15, 2017, 3:15PM

Monday, June 12, 2017, 3:15PM