

Luther Burbank Middle School Council Minutes

February 26, 2014

3:00

Time	Topic	Owner(s)	Process	Expected Outcomes
3:00	Public Comment	TBD	Information Sharing	
3:05	Approve Minutes	Judy Ursuliak	Information Sharing	Minutes will be read and approved.
3:10	Principal's Report	Pat Perkins	Information Sharing	Update on school events.
3:15	FY 15 Budget	Pat Perkins	Information Sharing	A review of the school committee presentation given on 2/1/2014 will be provided along with any FY15 budget updates.
3:25	New Report Cards/Honor Roll	All members	Information Sharing and Discussion.	The council will discuss honor roll and should this tradition continue.
3:40	Results of Student Survey	All members	Information Sharing and Discussion	Results of student survey and the impact on the SIP will be discussed.
4:05	School Improvement Plan (SIP)	All members	Information Sharing and Discussion.	The group will continue reviewing and updating the SIP.

Notes:

Attendance: *Council Members:* Cheryl Lonardo, Julia Hutton, Patrick Perkins, Francis Christie, Heather LeBlanc, Judy Ursuliak *Absent:* Julie Brummer, Gina MacNeil, Kandice McBrearty *Public:* Susan Munyon

Public Comment: none

Approve Minutes: approved

Principal's Report:

- Spelling Bee Feb. 12 (held on the snow day), 13 students participated. Colin DeLisle 3rd, Iti Sai 2nd, Chole Revell 1st place (23 rounds between 1 & 2) Regional held at the Hilton in Leominster on March 24th from 6-8 PM

- MCAS schedule. Participated in a training today. ELA in March, math and science on May.
- Basketball season wrapped up. Boys 10-7 season and Girls 9-8 season. Softball, Baseball, and Track and Field will be starting soon

Budget:

- presented to school committee Feb. 1st
- well received, no questions about the budget – recommendations will be made soon about the overall budget
- school committee asked the superintendent look into some overall cuts, any cut to the school would be relatively minor
- Town Meetings will be held the first Monday in May and budgets will be voted
- Mr. Wood will come to speak to the school council if asked

New Report Cards:

- new report cards worked on last year
- in June decided to postpone the full standards based report card until the fall of 2014
- letter grade will still be reported with the standards on the report card
- How will this impact honor roll? All middle schools will have same report card for the first time. All middle schools in the district Honor Roll are currently different and it is anticipated that they will need to align.
 - Honor Roll is a recognition of hard work
 - Tied in to Presidential Awards for excellence and achievement
 - With standards based reporting learning habits are being separated from academic achievement; how will they be/should they be factored in to the honor roll?

Student Survey:

- Students took it seriously
- We want to know what students habits surrounding social media and take away from that what we can share with parents and use in the informational postings on our website
- How can we use some of this information and incorporate it into the parent year end survey

Handbook committee: Patrick, Judy, Heather

Survey committee: Cheryl, Julia, Francis

Next Meeting: March 19

Agenda: Handbook – honor roll criteria defined? Survey