

School council Meeting
Minutes from January 14, 2009

Members Present:

Ellen Johnson, principal
Diane Creedon, parent representative
Kristen Russo, parent representative
Michelle Tigges, teacher representative
Mary Kelly, teacher representative

Topics discussed:

- **Update**
 - ❖ **Website:** updated by Dan Donoff, Helen Downs and Ellen Johnson, approved by Dr. Conti
 - ❖ **Open House:** March 12th, Smart Board set up so Dan can give an overview of the website for the parents.
 - ❖ **Outside:**
 - lights are not working
 - mulch is done
 - ❖ **Gym Door:** not replaced/ is able to move: not well
- **New:**
 - ❖ **Email Ellen if there is anything to add to the agenda.**
 - ❖ **Painting Pods:** Pods 2 & 4 painting over vacation
 - ❖ **All rooms painted:** looking to see if it is possible to have all rooms painted, maybe over the summer.
 - ❖ **Goals:** we looked over the district, school and team goals to decide on the goals for the Improvement Plan
- **Initiatives:**
 - ❖ **Look at old School Improvement Plans**

- ❖ **After School Programs:**
 - Look at adding more after school programs.
 - Think about adding a "middle support" program.
 - Possibly develop a survey to see what parents are interested in.

- **Reviewing School Improvement Plan**
 - ❖ What about helping the "average" students improve on MCAS?
 - ❖ Improve students from Proficient to Advanced
 - ❖ How can grade level goals address improvement on MCAS?
 - ❖ Check to be sure all learners are showing growth
 - ❖ Discuss implementing Differentiated Instruction or flexible grouping.
 - ❖ Using grade level assessment

- **RTI Discussion** Mrs. Johnson explained the process of RTI
 - ❖ **School:** physical layout
Materials
Staffing

Next Meeting February 11, 2009

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