The Bromfield School

School Council Agenda WEDNESDAY, April 10, 2019
Faculty Lounge 3PM

Attendees: Scott Hoffman, Ellen Sachs Leicher, Colleen Nigzus, Elena Franklin, Katy Covino, Shannon Malloy, Vivian Liu, Tiana Jiang, Chris Jones, Trish Niland

Principal Report: (Scott Hoffman)

Staff-Senior Basketball Game - Seniors won, breaking losing streak!
Recent concerts were done well and received well.
Interviewing for open positions for next year - Chorus, French (one year leave), due
Maternity leave for Health (May-June)
Scheduling for next year is ongoing
School spring vacation is next week
Construction - Concerns about parking; more restricted next year due to school construction.
Senior Project Presentations - May 7, Tuesday; Adjustments; need more projects outside the school community
World Language Induction Ceremony - April 23
Middle School MCAS Testing - April 24 and 30
Middle School Play - April 24
SADD “Rave” - April 26
Lip Sync fund raiser for Model UN - May 3
Budget Update - reduced by $150,000 from original

School Committee Report: (Shannon Malloy)

School system budget approved by FINCOM.
Need to tie budget requests to school improvement plan and goals.
May 4 town meeting has Bromfield capital expenditures in warrant articles: air conditioning, science wing improvements, gym bleacher replacement.

Subcommittee Updates:

- Balance - Update on Homework Survey. Give kids information about average homework requirement for each course. Provide strategies for students to manage stress, how students best manage time, study hall and at home. Interview all students who are taking more than 3 AP courses to understand their motivations.

- Career - Reality Fair is May 30. Tables need to be set up in the gym after 6pm to allow for sports teams to use on a rainy day. 9:30-12:30pm is estimated time frame for students to take part. In addition to sophomores, seniors are also invited and must complete Naviance job selection as pre-requisite.
● Climate - Survey is just about ready. Include the changes suggested by Department Leaders. Student can take survey after break.

● Handbook - No meeting this past month; Schedule one for after spring break.

● Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2018 (YRBS) - Examine data
  - Summary of results (shortened for time)
  - Full Results on School Counseling site
    Individually
    Turn and Talk
    What has been done...
    Concrete consequences for vaping, a serious issue (need to work on education piece)
    Education (Catch my Breath grades 5-12)
    Work with Chiefs, Fire and Police
    Next Steps

New Business:

Diversity/Inclusion Update and Plan - not just sexual harassment, but other harassment, too. Teja (videographer) video of interviews with several faculty and students was presented to the community, with unfortunately limited attendance. It will not be shown in the school, but School Council should see it. Request that it be brought to School Council at the next or the last meeting of the school year.


Other -

Upcoming Meetings for 2018-19

May 15 (Begin planning 2019-2020 School Improvement Plan), June 12.

Ben Myers, Secretary, Bromfield School Council