
CISL

CISL Meeting Minutes - January 9, 2024

Attendees:

LisaMarie Ippolito- Assistant Superintendent
Allison Brynes – Assistant Principal Bresnahan Elementary School
Kathryn Parsons – Assistant Principal Nock Middle School
Juliet Walker – School Committee Representative
Sandra Schwarzkopf – Parent Representative

Meeting Approval

- The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed. A single spelling error was identified: "obtained" should be corrected to "unstained."
- A motion to approve the minutes with this correction was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Building Administration Updates

- School-Wide Assembly: Student Leadership held a Kindness Campaign the month of December. Students and Staff left encouraging post-it on student's lockers. 480 Certificates were sent home around winter break for those who participated. assembly for the entire school today. Further parent nights on the topic are planned. led a kindness-focused
- Mid semester exams are happening last week in January at the High School Level.
- Access testing is happening at all schools
- High school is working on a new registration process for next year. Counselors will be working with incoming Freshman to get them used to the new atmosphere, Schedule and Staff

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- Academic Assessments: Mid-year testing for Dibbles and iReady assessments will begin next week. Additionally, access testing training for special education students began today.
 - School-Wide Assembly: A guest speaker led a kindness-focused assembly for the entire school today. Further parent nights on the topic are planned.
 - PBIS Re-implementation: Following winter break, the school is emphasizing re-teaching expectations and PBIS principles. Grade-level specific PBIS assemblies are also being held.

Upcoming Professional Development Day

- The upcoming professional development day will feature 22 workshops, predominantly led by school staff.
- The day's focus aligns with the district's strategic plan and "portrait of a graduate" initiative.
- Staff feedback will be collected after the event to guide future professional development opportunities.

School Counseling Department Presentation

- The department presented their mission, vision, and how they support the district's "portrait of a graduate" initiative.
- New Initiatives and Opportunities:
 - Partnership with Northern Essex Community College (NECC) for an associate's degree program.
 - Development of an Environmental Science pathway program.
 - Introduction of new elective courses.
 - Exploration of a potential trade school partnership.
 - Rescheduling the career fair to the spring semester.
 - Gradual expansion and improvement of the art program.
- The presentation also covered the department's focus on career and college readiness, utilizing Naviance software, fostering community partnerships, addressing mental health concerns, and more.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm