School Council Meeting
Oct 19, 2021

Attendees:
Bryan A. (s), M. Benes-Rosecan (t), J. Butler (t), Mary C. (s), D. Fan (p), H. Galante (a), B. Hester (p), D. Hudder (a), N. Myles (t), L. Piehl (t), J. Stewart (p)

Norms & Agreements
- ○ Share the air time
- ○ Assume positive intent
- ○ Start and end on time
- ○ Value disagreement; disagree respectfully
- ○ Be task-oriented and stick to the agenda

AGENDA:

I. Welcome!
- ○ Introductions
- ○ Two more students will be joining us

II. Norms
- ○ Reviewed previous

III. School Council Responsibilities
- ○ Act in an advisory capacity to the principal
- ○ Final policy decisions are made by the School Committee
- ○ Assist principals in
  - ■ Adopting educational goals of the school that are consistent with local educational policies and statewide student performance standards
  - ■ Identifying the educational needs of students attending the school
  - ■ Reviewing the annual school budget
  - ■ Formulating a school improvement plan

IV. School Improvement Plan
- ○ Draft is being held while we await a district improvement plan

- No major changes from last year anticipated

V. Committee work for 2021-22
- Equity and Inclusion
- Advisory
- Q5
- Principal's Advisory (student committee)
- Ground Up - student branch of Challenge Success

VI. NEASC
- Organization that brings a team of teachers and administrators into schools for an accreditation process
- Self-study and visit two years ago
- November 7-10 - formative follow-up visit
- We've done a lot!

VII. Potential topics for this year
- Peer mentoring program
- Policies around homework and tests
- Post-secondary planning
  - Earlier start
  - Added to senior schedule?
  - Student advisory board to work with counseling department?
- Doing something for sophomores
- Honor Roll

VIII. [May 13 Minutes](#) - tabled

IX. Future meetings
- 2:45 - 3:45 PM
- April and May - potentially longer, focused on Handbook changes
- Dates forthcoming via email

Attendance key:
s: student

p: parent
t: teacher
a: administrator
v: visitor