

## MINUTES

Thurgood Marshall Middle School

School Council

March 10, 2016

Parents: Dawn Perry, Tara Porter, Jessica Gerado, Margot Abels

Faculty: Molly Cohen, Principal; Christopher Cole, Carleen French, Maureen Walker, Luke Maus

Community Members: Elizabeth Cohen, Martial Arts Center

Absent: Robin Kimber, Community Member

### **HOT TOPIC: The New Building**

Dates: April 8, 2016 – Send home information packet

April 15, 2016 – Last Day at 19 Porter Street

April 25, 2016 – First Day at 100 Brookline Street

April 20, 2016 – Expected Substantial Completion Date

### **Concerns:**

- Traffic Flow, Drop off, Pick Up
- Signage: No Idling, No Parking, Resident Parking
- Possible One Way during School Hours
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### **Suggestions:**

- Use traffic cones to manage traffic flow in front on the school
- Post all information about the move on the website
- Minimum of 2 “All Calls” made to clarify move dates
- Include “Frequently asked questions” in information packet
- Outside signage to direct parents/students to gym and cafeteria

### **Parent Open House: (March 30, 2016 3-5 pm)**

- Have a “Current update” flyer for parents
- Solicit for PTO members – get copy of licenses for CORI– need volunteers to recruit!!

**Latest Plans:** Students will report to 100 Brookline Street for school on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. They will gather by grade in the library, cafeteria and gym. Then proceed to homeroom with their assigned homeroom teacher to receive their lockers etc.

**Other:**

- **PARCC testing:** March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> – Practice testing: May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> – ELA Testing; May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> – Science MCAS (Grade 8 only) and May 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> – Math Testing
- **Teacher Appreciation Week:** May 2<sup>nd</sup> – May 7<sup>th</sup> – Any help is greatly appreciated!!

The next meetings are scheduled for Thursdays April 7<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Ms. Cohen will send out both the agenda and a reminder prior to the meeting.