School Advisory Council Meeting

In Attendance (zoom): Mary Foster, Colleen McElligott-Liporto, Maria DeLeon, Stacey Denino, Jess Bille, Megan Caponigro, Karen Murphy, Kelly O’Connor

6:30 Welcome
- School Council general information
  - Composition
  - Responsibility
  - Rules of Operation

6:40 Calendar
- Upcoming days off:
  - Nov. 3rd - PD Day – probably doing EL or Imagine Learning
  - Nov. 11th - Veteran’s Day
  - Access testing will be in January 2021 (Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening are tested)
  - MCAS is a go for this year! It will take place for all, including ALTs. Online/in person testing throughout the state
  - Kelly at the Gregg House said that Dr. Tutwiler shared the calendar with them

6:50 2020/2021 Initiatives
- Social Emotional Learning – Caring Schools Community
  - Teachers spoke to the success of Morning Meeting, activities to promote SEL, and the difficulty of finding time for the Closing Meeting. Mary suggested a short mindfulness activity.
- EL/Vocabulary Focus Areas
  - Along with vocab and language acquisition, we are getting to know the students on a more personal level.
  - Focusing on drawing out their strengths and fostering ways they can be an asset to class
- Keys to Literacy – Ongoing
- Schoology – our Learning Management System: Teachers spoke to how it is going. It is a good system, teaching all aspects is time consuming, but the students are receptive and working hard. Parents spoke to it’s accessibility. They like how easy it is to find everything. They said LT is doing a great job. We have trainers who have done a wonderful job getting us all up to speed
7:00 Open Houses

- Have been scheduled. The first one will be via zoom on October 27th with specific times for each grade’s presentation.
  - K-5:00-5:20
  - Gr.1- 5:20-5:40
  - Gr. 2- 5:40-6:00
  - Gr. 3 – 6:00-6:20
  - Gr. 4- 6:20-6:40
  - Gr. 5- 6:40-7:00

7:05 Building Maintenance and Capital Repairs

- All hallways and classrooms have been painted. They did not do the auditorium because it is largely being used for storage

7:06 Extra Curricular Activities – the district is really looking for these activities to be FUN for the kids!

- Have been approved:
  - Boys and Girls basketball
  - Legos/Robotics
  - Science Club
  - Yearbook
  - Cheer Club
  - Math Club
  - School Council
  - Newspaper Club

- Think Time/Reflection time has not begun yet

7:08 COVID

- LPS has determined that they will evaluate our Fully Remote status on November 20th to decide the future of this school year. Lynn is one of the cities in MA with the highest number of COVID cases.

7:10 Meeting Adjourned