

Woodland School Council
Monday, February 4, 2019
2:30-3:30pm

Notetaker: Kate Bonsignore
Facilitator: Jen Faber

Attendance: Jen Faber, Emma Kwon, Kate Bonsignore, Onika Jenkins, Michelle Raymond, Shelli Patel

Nothing needed adding to the agenda

Whole School Challenge

- There was a planning team behind the scenes.. included Emma Kwon
- Emma: super fun! Theme was the Woodland Triangle: safety, kindness, learning. Each classroom got a bag of supplies. Had to build a bridge 6 inches (minimum) and hold a box of crayons; bridges should solve a problem. Each class had to produce a video and a written description that promoted their design and the WHY. Dave Peterson put together the video; Kate Benson set up voting stations
- Kate: the prototype is designed to solve a problem. For example, a first grade class created a foot bridge to connect the three elementary schools (Field, Country, Woodland) which impressively linked to the Woodland School Triangle kindness/safety/learning.
- Jen: assembly with a red carpet, spirit day!, multiple presenters and awards (ie. Bob Lager award, Susan Cohen award, Susan Erickson award, etc). Some example bridges include: wheelchair accessible bridge, bridge linking the farthest vernal pool, footbridge at parent pick-up to keep shoveling down for Bob Lager, etc
- Voting represented deeper level of understanding and thinking about the design and engineering process. Assembly/Awards ceremony highlighted celebrating each other, siblings, book buddy classes, etc

Proposed Budget

Each building will have one math interventionist working 25 hours a week

Add an instructional coach to each building (for FY20)

Will wait a year to take data on efficacy of current model with one instructional coach per building

If a 7th section added to Kindergarten will be added to Country

Woodland may need a 4th section in either grade 1, grade 2, or grade 3 (numbers fluctuate unpredictably, especially with international move-ins)

Kindergarten information night week of February 11 (moved up to accommodate private school schedule); kindergarten registration in April

School Improvement Plan (SIP) Planning

(see handout)

Onika adds: is there a plan in place for the Boston students for 3.2 safety procedures and protocols? Absolutely (Jen). All students and their needs being discussed and taken into account by the safety committee.

SIP plan done in collaboration with Field, Country, and Woodland. Some things done a little differently, for example, core values are a bit different at each school b/c we're in different places.

Datawise and Safety are two examples of things that will be consistent between all three schools

A reading program will take the place of something like Foundations- should we implement a new reading curriculum next year

Responsive Classroom will be in there again probably b/c not all teachers got to do the training last summer

Shared out what a learning walk-thru is and subsequent faculty meetings that summarize the learning (November, March, and May)

This is the first of many conversations we will have the of the SIP

It will come back to this group after vetted and edited by the other two elementary schools

Any additions?

Nothing else!

Shelli Patel will be our notetaker next time 😊 (March 4)