

Nashoba Regional High School Council Minutes

October 22, 2015

Attendance: Parry Graham, David Emerson, Emily Frisch, Will Cruikshank, Ihsan Mulyono, Therese Magnussen and Ann Sabourin

Review minutes

- Minutes approved

Recruitment of new members

- Need 1 freshman, 1 Lancaster parent, 1 Bolton parent and 1 community member (non-parent)

Updates on school-wide initiatives

- Late starts
 - Positive feedback from both teachers and students
- Calendar Committee
 - Looking for parents and students to be on committee
- Seniors
 - Trying to be proactive about behavior that takes place during the seniors' last week of school
 - Brainstorming ideas that will curb negative behavior
 - For example, building up other court yard only for seniors

Review School Improvement Plan for 2015-2016 and begin work on School Improvement Plan for 2016-2017

- Goal 1: Engage students as active participants in the school community by recognizing and rewarding positive student behavior
 - Nashoba Cup
 - Journalism team did live broadcast about it and the competition has begun
- Goal 2: Increase connections between students and between students and the larger community
 - New Chieftain Day
 - Successful orientation for incoming freshman
- Goal 3: Develop enhanced data collection and supports for incoming freshman and upperclassmen identified as academically at-risk
 - Alternative Education
 - Hired .8 Alternative Education teacher and Instructional Assistant
 - Alternative Education teacher's first job is to create a more formalized education program for next year

- Something for students' needs, for example, students assigned to rooms and teachers come in to teach alternative classes
 - Alternative Education teacher's second job is working this year with the highest at-risk students and to provide them with academic support
 - Because of behavior or academic difficulties, students are doing online classes and teachers help with that
 - General profile of student in Alternative Education Program:
 - Students who have history of D's and F's
 - Sophomores and juniors
 - More of a choice, but a strong suggestive choice
- Ideas for 2016-2017 School Improvement Plan
 - 2-3 goals
 - Connect them to District Improvement Plan

Public comments: None

Next Meeting: November 19, 2015