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Another Disgruntled Family, Re: Principal Sykes Resignation

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To Whom It May Concern,

To hear of Cindy's departure is nothing short of heartbreaking. When moving to Boylston, the school system was our primary focus, having two young boys that would soon be entering elementary school. After hearing of all the turnover in years prior, we got nervous and hesitant. Once we heard that Principal Sykes was entering the picture, with all the enthusiasm and love that was behind her, we could NOT wait for elementary school to begin! Well everyone was right, and then some! Principal Sykes made that school SHINE. Here we are, in our short time here, saddened, with no true reason. Under the impression that Boylston Elementary was on the upswing, due to the phenomenal staff and Mrs. Sykes. We are losing a good one. Someone we all felt SAFE with, which is all of our first order of business when it comes to our children, so this does NOT feel ok.

An anonymous survey would be greatly appreciated, the parents and guardians of the children deserve answers from this situation. Rather than all of this hearsay, transparency in this reasoning would also be very well received.

With this oblique departure it feels as though there is something severely going wrong behind the scenes. These painful departures are currently making many great families consider leaving our quaint public school system, and that is disheartening. If the departure of Cindy begins a snowball effect of our beloved teachers leaving, I can't even fathom the issues that will begin to arise.

With that being said. How can we undo this? These are huge shoes to fill. Can it be fixed? Our kids should not have to go through this time and time again. Starting a new school year can be hard enough on these kids, seeing Principal Sykes would have brightened each and every one of their days, weeks, months and years. Yet, here we are.

The budget is one thing. But this, just continues to kick (all of) us, while we are down!

With all due respect,

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Thank you for your email. I'm currently away from the office and focusing on various projects but will be sure to respond when I return. thank you.

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Thank you for your concern. I believe I can speak for the committee that we are also emotional how Mrs. Sykes is leaving, but respect her decision as it seems to be based on personal reasons for her. This is a personnel matter so we won't be able to comment much more on that.

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