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Concerns for Cindys Departure

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Hello everyone!

I am writing to you today in hopes that more parent voices can be heard in regards to Cindys departure. This is an extreme concern seeing yet another lead position in our district come and go. Cindy has shown to be as close to perfect as a principal can be. I have never heard a complaint or negative word spoken about her. She has shown in many ways how she goes above and beyond for the betterment of this school and our children's overall well being. This brings no other conclusion to parents other than that there is something going on behind closed doors, and we deserve answers as to why the work environment for these lead positions is undesirable. This should be greatly looked into as to why Cindy does not think this school is a good fit for her.

Myself and other parents would like an exit interview conducted, explaining what happened during her time here in Boylston. What thoughts she has that could help us possibly improve upon things moving forward. We want the best of the best for our kids and this town, and we had it, but for whatever reason she did not want to stay. We are now in a position to look for someone exactly like her.

An anonymous teacher/staff (the people that worked closest to her) digital survey would be a great way to understand what is really going on so we can come together to try and fix the issue. It is detrimental and extremely uncomfortable to our district and children to have so much turnover, especially because it seems quite clearly there is an issue that is happening behind the scenes. Our town is going to have wonderful families and staff continue to leave if this matter is not addressed quickly.

Thank you for your time.

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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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Michael Totman <mtotman@bbrsd.org> Sun, Apr 6, 2025 at 7:27 PM
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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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