

# FOXBORO COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

## April 7, 2016

**In attendance:** Kristian Wang, Ben Lauritzen, Becky Tatum, Lisa Moller, Allison Riddle, Gary Sant, Jenessa Sant, Marcia Young, Sherry Mullen, Natalie Preston, Wendy Neff.

Welcomed by Kristian Wang.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted from March's meeting.

We looked at our school attendance numbers, once again the absentees are the chronic ones. We need to work with those individual families in making attendance a priority.

Cluster meeting data review (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders):

There are achievement and growth points, from 2014 to 2015 we went down on achievement points and stayed same on growth points. Last year our 6<sup>th</sup> graders scored pretty low, so hopefully our scores will go up this year. We also had more kids in 2014 because we were year round then.

The first graders have been doing the power half-hour this year, divided into groups by ability level. Each teacher and aide works with a group. This seems to be working really well. They could use some more help with this.

With the increase in Trustlands money we were able to get aides into all the grades. Interim testing has shown this to be effective, with an increase in scores to 79% (district level is 74%) for 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Mrs. Wood has given the aides specific training which has been helpful as well.

Surveys on the computer programs used this year (iXL, Think Through Math, etc.) need to be taken by the kids so the district knows how many licenses to purchase for each school.

Mr. Prusse passed out the improvement plan from last year, we went over the numbers. This year with carryover we should have about \$61,500 (about the same as last year):

Library books	\$2,000
Aides (quantity 6)	\$51,000
iPad lab (quantity 1)	\$5,000
Substitutes	\$1,000
Attendance	\$1,400
Math manipulatives	\$800

This budget was approved by Community Council. We noted that the funds are flexible within the plan, as long as we have the item listed.

Learning First Day is April 18, at 9 a.m. Mr. Prusse needs to know by April 11, if any of the Council members can go.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.