

Parent's Representative Council Meeting
Friday, February 21, 2020
12:00-1:30 PM
Central Office- Hammonasset Room

Purpose

The general purpose of the Parents' Representative Council (PRC) is to advise the Superintendent regarding parental concerns about the schools, to provide a forum for parent liaisons from each school to have a voice in decision making and problem solving and to foster a spirit of cooperative community and parental involvement in the promotion of the Madison Public Schools.

PRC Meeting Dates

September 20	January 17	May 15
October 18	February 21	June 5
November 22 (cancelled)	March 20	
No December mtg.	April 17	

AGENDA

Attendees:

Superintendent	Tom Scarice
PRC Chairperson	Maureen Lewis (absent)
Hand	Keiler Snow, Katy Wallace
Polson	Christina Morris
Brown	Tina Phelan
Jeffrey	Liz Plasky, Allison Bauer
Ryerson	Candace Barnes

Meeting Notes

1) Welcome/Introductions

Keiler Snow chaired the meeting in Maureen Lewis' absence. The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m.

2) Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Scarice reported on the following:

1. The Board of Education adopted the budget last month and presented it to the Boards of Finance and Selectmen last night. The Public Hearing is scheduled for March 4 beginning at 7 p.m. in the Polson auditorium. The Town has yet to determine a date for the referendum, which will include Academy & the school facilities, but it appears this will occur in the fall. Although both will appear on one referendum, voting will be separated. Superintendent Scarice spoke about the plan to get information out to the public, which will be handled by the district's Communications Specialist, Zoe Roos.
2. Madison Youth & Family Services presented the results of the Search Institute Survey at the February 11, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

3) Review / Approve Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from the January 17, 2020 meeting, as amended by Tina Phelan, 2nd by Christina Morris, all in favor.

4) Round Table

Jeffrey

Winter workshops have concluded and spring workshops are being planned. Early bird sale for the yearbook has resulted in 140 copies sold. 100th day of school was celebrated on February 13. Tish Rabe from R. J. Julia will be participating in Read Across America on March 4. March is Science Month and Science night is March 26.

Ryerson

Winter workshops have concluded. Junior Achievement will be working with the entire school on February 28, not just Grade 3 classes as previously reported. Yearbook is going well. Science Week coming up, as well as Science Night and Fair.

Brown

Brown PTO is working on a “buddy bench” which students will name. Defibtech, a biotechnology company located in Guilford, is donating an automatic external defibrillator to Brown in conjunction with Madison Youth Basketball, which will be placed in the main office. Scholastic readers have been donated to all 4th grade students. Frank Henderson is currently looking into barriers to be placed between the buses and the school.

Polson

Random Acts of Kindness Week. All grades preparing

Hand

At the January 7th PTO meeting, the Art and English Departments discussed curriculum changes. The athletic director and the SRO spoke, as well as Scott Cochran from Madison Youth & Family Services who discussed vaping. Freshman orientation is scheduled for next week. Canterbury Tales was a success and winter sports are underway. Orchestra Concert performed last night and Band Concert is scheduled for February 12th at 7:30 p.m.

5) PRC Subcommittees

Jeffrey – Food Services: meeting moved to March.

Brown – Transportation Council: comments from DHHS regarding transportation to ECA.

DHHS – M.A.D.E. & MYFS: information will be provided about meeting at the Sr. Center with the Boards of Selectmen & Finance. Lisa Deane spoke about Demand Zero and is working to get the Hidden in Plain Sight room set-up.

Polson – K12 Art Show: no report.

Ryerson – Custodian Appreciation: date TBD.

Motion to adjourn at 1:00 p.m.