

School Council 2/27/18

In Attendance: Mary Riley, Dr. Martin McEvoy,, Rachel Rosier, Anna Mello, Julieann Haskins

Call to Order-- Dr. McEvoy at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes Unanimous

No Open Comment participants.

Dr. McEvoy presented the School Choice Budget for this fiscal year 2018-2019. The town is asking for level funding again this year. In order to provide level services to our students, with this restriction, approximately \$95,000 is needed. Dr. McEvoy presented the case that this could possibly come from our school choice budget and, according to TMS, that there would still be approximately \$53,000 left in the school choice budget at the end of FY19. This figure does not include any revenue coming in from school choice, etc. That figure would be closer to \$133,000, according to business manager Chris of TMS. School Council members present (Mary, Rachel, Anna, Julieann) plan to attend Transition Committee meetings in March to advocate to use funds to balance budget and keep services level.

School lunch/recess procedures were discussed. A complaint was brought forward that students occasionally say they have less than 10 minutes to eat their lunch due to long lines in the cafeteria. Dr. McEvoy stated that students have a total of 50 minutes for lunch and recess -- 25 minutes for recess and 25 minutes for lunch. Most classes have recess first and then lunch. Dr. McEvoy has been monitoring the lunchroom and has not seen any students unable to finish their lunch in the time available. Rachel suggested that perhaps older students become "lunchroom helpers" for younger students. Dr. McEvoy also stated that if any student needs more time to eat their lunch, they can stay in the cafeteria as adults are present. Dr. McEvoy also said classes could adjust recess times if eating times are inadequate.

The next School Council meeting will take place on Monday, March 19th at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.