

Pembroke Community Middle School

School Council Minutes

October 12, 2022

The meeting began at 10:49 am. In attendance were Allison Glennon, Caryn Drake, Jen Mulligan, Evan Fitzwilliam, and Donna McGarrigle.

Building update: Reviewed was the therapy dog visits (Obediah), terraponic growing rack, service learning projects of grounds cleanup for 10/20 and 8th grade student announcers.

Council review of June 2022 minutes. Approved without edits by Allison Glennon and seconded by Caryn Drake. All in agreement. June 2022 will now be posted.

Student survey results for grade level representatives on the council were shared. Students wrote 1-2 sentences indicating why they wanted to serve on the council. To date, there are 2 seventh grade volunteers and 13 eighth grade volunteers. An announcement was placed in the daily bulletin encouraging students to apply, using the link in the email sent by Mrs. McGarrigle. A council discussion with how best to incorporate students into the council, with identifying permanent grade level representatives versus rotating through volunteers would be the better model. Mrs. McGarrigle will meet with all the student volunteers next week and review the 10/12 council agenda and how student representatives will be identified for the remainder of the school year.

A draft of the PCMS School Improvement plan was shared. The structure of the district goals feeding into the building goals, feeding into the teachers' goals was reviewed. The council was told that a draft of the improvement plan would be reviewed at the next school committee meeting.

Additional updates shared with council members: A D/F report from the first term progress report was shared with teachers, so they can follow up with families and find ways to support students. Also discussed was the ongoing Enriching Students software protocol being developed at faculty meetings. At the end of the meeting, the council went to the consumer science room to view the terraponic growing racks.

The meeting ended at 11:35 am.