Winthrop School Council – Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2026 | 6:35 PM | Hybrid

Attendees:

- Parent Representatives: Ms. Kimberly Mavroides, Ms. Ana Laguarda, and Mr. Michael Martinez
- Teacher Representatives: Ms. Meghan Ganley, Ms. Laurie Colitti, Ms.Tiandra Morris, Ms. Robbyn Wile
- Community Representative: Ms.Katie Henry
- Administrative Representative: Dr. Maureen Lueke

Note Taker: Mr. Martinez

January Minutes

Approved.

Wellness Policy

- Teacher reps from each school now on the committee.
- Lunch policy discussion: kids now required to pick 3 items (fruit, veggie, protein) for a balanced meal.

School Updates

- Concerts a huge success – big family turnout, very joyful.
- Book fair running now. Art show + book fair Thursday.

Budget

- Good news: most positions retained after a challenging budget season.
- Council expressed frustration about the process – cuts felt sudden and the council wasn't looped in the way it has been in past years. Grateful for community turnout at school committee meetings.

Dismissal / Supervision

- Multiple incidents with unsupervised kids on school grounds after dismissal. Principal sent a follow-up email clarifying: not trying to end the after-school community vibe, just asking parents to please supervise their kids.
- Suggestion to include basic expectations in Dr. Blake's weekly newsletter for consistency across schools.

Parent Survey Results

- 26 responses total. Top interests: student anxiety, conflict resolution, social media, emerging readers, bullying/trauma, and understanding the math curriculum.
- Parents prefer in-person events.
- Plan to start covering top topics in the newsletter with tips/resources. Looking into the screen time speaker for a parent event.
- Goal to collaborate with Doyon on speaker events next year.

School Improvement Plan

- Reviewed current plan. District objectives (Meeting Needs of All Students, Innovative Learning Environments, Building Best Practices) stay the same for next year. We're building new goals and action steps underneath them.
- Next steps: Principal to do a poster walk or similar at a staff meeting to gather teacher ideas. Katie H to send a short parent survey (what's working, what could improve, new ideas for each objective) via Blackboard/Google Form to incorporate parent feedback.

Next Meeting

Tentatively April 14, in person (hybrid option). Focus: School Improvement Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM