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### **CBRSD Families for Belonging Meeting Minutes - 4/13/26**

**Attendees:** Aaron Robb, Jeff Pike, Ariana Massery, Charles Redd, Allison Peters, Sara Tucker, Lindsey McDermott, Lisa Herland, Becky Sawyer

#### **Mobilizing Families to Vote for the FY27 Budget**

- The group reviewed a draft of a one-pager that the district is preparing to send to all families in advance of town meetings.
- Some minor tweaks were suggested and have been presented to and accepted by Superintendent Henault.

#### **DCTV Video Update**

- Filming has wrapped in all district schools; all will be featured.
- The video begins and ends with Supt. Henault and Asst. Supt. Robb, they will also provide video voiceover/narration.
- All principals played a role in helping to organize who and what will be filmed; each Principal will be featured in the video as well.
- Video will be released on or around May 1 (in time for the first town meeting).

#### **Food Insecurity**

- Asst. Supt. Robb shared [some information](#) about what CBRSD currently does to address this issue, as well as what is planned for next year.
- The remainder of the meeting was focused on this central question: *What should CBRSD's role be in alleviating food insecurity?*
  - Normalize the need for assistance because it could happen to anyone.
  - We can't solve this ourselves; need to form community partnerships.
  - Neighbor to Neighbor program provides funding for food and other living costs.
    - CRA is looking into the possibility of providing food at DYC when it is open.
    - CRA Exec. Dir. Massery provided [more information](#) about Neighbor to Neighbor.
  - Investigate rural food grants (Charles Redd stated he would look into this)
  - North Adams has had a great deal of success with their family dinner program (since 2013).
    - Aaron will reach out to NAPS for more information
  - Can a CBRSD rep attend a Food Bank of Western Mass meeting?

**Next Meeting: May 11 at 6:30 pm in the Wahconah LC**

#### **Topics:**

- Further discussion about NAPS family dinner program (i.e., costs, staffing, logistics).
- CBRSD school lunch food quality.