Notes from the Lowell Community Relations Council Meeting
Prepared by Lowell School
July 9, 2019, 6:30 pm
Lowell School Berkeley Library

In attendance

- **Sharon Giles**
- **Cynthiana Lightfoot**
- **Teresa Park**
- **Lizzie Sadoff**
- **Amy Mauser**
- **Chris Ginter (Lowell)**

New Head of School

- Donna Lindner began her tenure as Lowell's 5th Head of School on July 1.
- Donna is working to find a time in the early fall to meet with neighbors.

Fraser site

- Lowell continues to work towards obtaining a permit and reasonable construction bids for the work proposed to be done on the Fraser building site.

Traffic/Neighborhood Agreement

- Neighbors noted an uptick of vehicles parking on Kalmia during the carpool drop-off and pick-up times, and children exiting these vehicles and crossing the street.

1626 Kalmia Road

- Construction is complete, and the property is on the rental market.

Signage proposal

- Lowell has engaged a wayfinding consultant to produce a system of signs for campus. The first phase that is planned will consist of:
  - A Monument sign to identify our site;
  - Directional signs to more efficiently get both pedestrian and vehicular traffic onto our campus;
  - An Entrance sign to mark our entrance;
  - Building Identity signs; and
  - Parking, Interpretive, and Regulatory signs.
- Signs will require design approval by the Historic Preservation Review Board and the Commission of Fine Arts.
- Signs will require a permit from the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs.
- A few signs may require review by the DC Department of Transportation Public Space Committee.

New business

- A question was asked about Lowell's outdoor basketball court, which has recently been resurfaced and received new goals. Lowell stated that a sign will be posted on the tennis backboard indicating that the campus and the basketball court are closed at dusk.
- Meeting dates: <u>The October, 2019 Community Relations meeting has been moved to October 7, 2019.</u>

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Upcoming dates of interest

Last day of summer camp session 2	July 26
Minicamp	July 29- August 2
Staff return to campus	August 19
Social event for new families	August 25, 3:30-5:30 pm
Faculty return to campus	August 26
Student open house	September 3
First day of school	September 4
School picnic to welcome Donna Lindner	September 6, 5-7 pm
Pre-Primary School back-to-school night	September 12, 6:30-8:00 pm
Primary School back-to-school night	September 19, 6:30-8:00 pm
Middle School back-to-school night	September 26, 6:30-8:00 pm
Fall Bazaar	October 5

Upcoming meeting dates

- October 7, 2019 **NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE FOR THIS MEETING**
- January 7, 2020
- April 7, 2020
- July 7, 2020