**Notes from the Lowell Community Relations Council Meeting**
**Prepared by Lowell School**
**October 7, 2019, 6:30 pm**
**Lowell School Berkeley Library**

**In attendance**

- Wendell Hughes
- Lizzie Sadoff
- Jess Rosenbaum
- Cynthiana Lightfoot
- Sharon Giles
- Joyce Batipps
- Amy Mauser
- Chris Ginter (Lowell)

**Head of School**

- Lowell's 5th Head of School, Donna Lindner, began her tenure on July 1.

**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**

- Lowell was commended for its work during carpool times enforcing the Neighborhood Cooperation agreement.
- As part of the traffic calming efforts being undertaken by the Shepherd Park Citizens Association, Lowell has agreed to lead the gathering of petition signatures from residents on Kalmia Road west of 16th Street and on 17th Street between Kalmia Road and Jonquil Street.

**1626 Kalmia Road**

- Lowell's house has been rented. Tenants moved in at the end of the summer.

**Signage proposal**

- Lowell has received a vote of support from the Shepherd Park Citizens Association for its signage proposal.
- The proposal has been shared with the Historic Preservation Review Board which has made some comments. Lowell is working on a response to those comments.

**Front playground**

- Work on the basketball and four-square court re-surfacing is complete.
- In an effort to curtail late-night play on the basketball court, Lowell will post a sign on the tennis backstop stating that the court and campus are closed after dark.
- The small pieces of playground equipment on the front field are reaching the end of their useful life. Lowell is exploring options for replacing them.

**New business**

- Metropolitan Police Department has increased its presence in the neighborhood, resulting in police officers and vehicles being on Lowell's campus and surrounding areas with greater frequency. Lowell has reached out to the Department and to individual officers to

let them know that they are always welcome on our campus and to invite them to use our facilities at any time.

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**Upcoming dates of interest**

- Thanksgiving break — November 27 through December 1
- Winter break — December 21 through January 5

**Upcoming meeting dates**

- January 7, 2020
- April 7, 2020
- July 7, 2020
- October 6, 2020