



MALDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Linden School Council Minutes for Meeting on 6/4/26

Meeting Location: Google Meet from 6:00pm - 6:30pm

Attendees: Rafael Garcia, Carla Lucas, Martha Bezzat, Julie Jones

Today's meeting was the last School Council meeting for the school year.

Mr. Garcia gave an overview of the 2026-2027 School Improvement Plan (SIP) and it will be shared with everyone once finalized. Highlights included:

It's very similar to the 2025-2026 SIP. There will be a focus on ML students and students with disabilities in the coming year. There will be a focus on Math intervention during WIN. (Catalyst will continue for K-5). The PD block will continue with options for teams to meet every week. There will still be full day PD during the school year. Dates for staff meetings, including those with PD that occur after school, have been provided to MPS staff by the Superintendent for 2026-2027. They might be able to modify the schedule (meaning what days the meetings are) to accommodate staff schedules. There will possibly be opportunities for vertical meetings (6,7,8 Science for example) or even two schools together on a zoom on those PD days.

There are new directors across the district and some open positions at Linden that they are in the process of filling.

Elections for 2026-2027 Linden School Council will be held in the summer. Ideally we would have 8 people, half with a 1-year term and half with a 2-year term. However it should be noted that School Council meetings are always open to all in the community.

Meeting ended.

Minutes submitted by Martha Bezzat