

Duxbury Middle School School Council Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2022

Attendance:

Sarah McGuire - DMS Principal yes
~~Allyson Frazier - Parent~~
~~Cheryl Gleason - Parent~~
~~Rachel Ezell - Parent~~ yes
~~Brigid Wall - Parent~~
Nick Stott- Faculty
Jackson Taylor- Student yes
Lalitha Krishnan- Parent
Linda Moriarty- Community Member yes

Minutes Approval

- January 13, 2022 - correct date on top of page

School Update (DMS)

- Mask flexibility
- Course Selection
- Student surveys
- MCAS Dates
- Semester 2

School Improvement Plan Check In

- Pillar 1- SEL supports in place
 - Added Dean position
 - NHS tutors/ mentors
 - Social workers doing SEL topic groups
 - Survey for students and staff administered, families next
 - SWAC begun, further progress needed
- Pillar 2
 - DLCS project with Cheryl Lewis in lead
 - Reorganization of tech department with town
 - Allowed focus on Instructional Technology at school level
 - Implementing interventions for math and ELA during AcSup now
 - Hoping to expand this with budget for next year
- Pillar 3
 - STEAM programming- adding a new STEM based course in program of studies
 - SS teachers PD with civics curriculum development and project
 - SPED dept PD on DALs assessment platform been successful
- Pillar 4
 - Sci dept exploring field trip opportunity with DBMS, whales unit opportunities
 - Cultural competency certificate exploring at DMS level 3/18 PD day

- DEI work ongoing with committee, professional development on culturally responsive teaching for departments over past few PD days, exploring curriculum resources for teachers.

Panorama Family Survey

- Agreement to continue to use question groupings from previous years that align with student survey areas
- Presentation plans- provide opportunities for trends and take aways to be shared with PTO, School Council, School Comm, families via newsletter
- Explore groups with students to analyze data as well
- Direct programming and emphasis for PD based on trends, so previously developed mentor program from this data

Next Meeting: March 8, 2022