School Council Meeting: 2/8/18

Attendance: Jen Quinlan, Gregg Morris, Blake Dalton, Argent Lojko, Twyla Barrett, Melanie Kennedy, Caitlan Sheehan, Donna Theodossiou

Call to Order

Acceptance of Minutes - accepted

School Discipline Update

Juel Issue

- Sending information home via newsletter to educate students, teachers, and parents
- Cafeteria bathroom mostly
- Topic needs to be addressed at home as well as school
- Serious issue: are we too dismissive?
 - Some are upset about perhaps the issue is not being taken seriously enough
 - Harder line needs to be drawn; stronger message about not tolerating this behavior
 - Rewriting the handbook, code of conduct
 - Kids need to be in the classroom so what is the balance between suspension for these issues?
 - State Law 222: how do we work within the boundaries of this law?
 - Inservice has been done with faculty about what to look for
 - Should MS have bathroom monitors?
 - Perhaps group assembly?
 - Whole community, multi-pronged approach

Discipline in General

- No other big issues brewing other than jueling
- Mistreatment/disrespect tend to be the other issues
 - Cyber-"arguing", lack of digital citizenship
 - Age appropriate issues
 - Strong messaging on media literacy & digital citizenship in order for this to be effective

School Improvement Plan

- 1.2 Timely Safeguards for Academic Success: working with guidance tomorrow to begin "principals club" to identify and then work with students who have failed two or more terms
 - This may up significance for kids and gives principal opportunity to make connections with students
 - Could this be failed one term? at one term letter goes home to make parents aware
- 2.2 Exploratory Classes: met with assistant superintendent to explore ways to create different ways for options students

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