



- iii. A knife was found on the playground next to the swings on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>
- d. Budget- No updates at this time
- e. PBIS Winter Initiative—Winter Indoor Recess Carnival will be held within the next month or two.
  - i. Thank you to Kelly Hurley and the PTO for supporting this event with the purchase of new games.
  - ii. \$243 was spent out of the allotted \$550.
- f. Coffee with the Principal—next coffee is scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>
- g. Enrichment-Goal forms were turned into the office for principal review.
  - i. Understanding by Design (Backwards Design)—Keeping end result in mind when planning curriculum
  - ii. Letters to parents informing them of the I/E activities are being sent home
- h. Brady Village- Tutoring will resume in January. Positions have been posted.
  - i. 2 days a week from 3:30-5:30
  - ii. 3 tutors are needed according to heads of households
  - iii. Supplemented by Before/After School Program Funds / Grant
    - 1. Concern- Is the money of parents paying for before/after school program funding this?
    - 2. How can we meet a broader spectrum of students?
    - 3. Where are the funds coming from?
      - a. Grant money?
      - b. Public money?
    - 4. What is the best way to utilize these funds to meet the most students?
  - iv. Agawam Housing Authority is so gleeful about this program.
    - 1. New rugs and computers were purchased for the students.
  - v. MCAS tutoring—Does Granger offer this? Clark School does. Cheryl will look into it.
- i. Enrichment
  - i. The assembly last week- *Animals and the Environment*- was very good.
- j. Science Night

- i. This was a successful activity, however not as many children came as RSVPed. Looking for parent feedback is this activity better for a non-conference night or a conference night?

#### 4. Agenda Items

- a. Meeting Protocols--Last Meeting was not a productive school council meeting
  - i. Public Comments-Kristen Kutz will be the timekeeper to keep public questions on time.
  - ii. This council is run more formal than other schools.
  - iii. We will keep this format and continue to research how meetings are run.
- b. New Community Member Needed-Jim from Fitness First said no.
  - i. City Council Member? Wendy Rua will call most influential – Gina Letellier, Chris Johnson, Paul Cavallo
- c. Channel of Complaints—Granger School Code of Conduct states: Teacher—Principal—HR Business—School Committee
  - i. Will put something in the Gazette about channel of complaints
- d. March Meeting Date-changed to Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> because of Kindergarten Orientation being held at Granger

#### 5. Future Business

- a. Goals for this Council
  - i. School Improvement Plan
  - ii. Communication-ongoing-continuing to improve
    - 1. ApDirect-information is getting to parents through emails, paper, and connectEd
  - iii. School Grounds-need a better level of safety and security
    - 1. Banks, gas stations, and a liquor store surround Granger School
      - a. We need a fence!
    - 2. Grounds need better upkeep
      - a. Knife, fireworks, etc found on playground by Granger school children
      - b. Emailed Mayor Cohen and DPW—Chris Sparks
  - iv. PTO attendance/childcare
    - 1. Will attendance increase if we provide childcare
    - 2. There is a parental interest however we have no providers

- a. Caitlin Sullivan's cousin?
    - b. Community Service Hours
      - i. Field Hockey player?
  - v. Enrichment- Parents asking teachers to think outside the box
    - 1. Pair older students with younger students?
    - 2. Math/ELA/academic enrichment is widely different at Granger school among the grades
  - vi. Student Council
- 6. Items Deferred
  - a. Goals
  - b. Enrichment
  - c. New Community member
  - d. Painting of tiles at inside entrance
- 7. Adjournment
  - a. 7:35 PM

Future Meetings: Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, Apr. 12<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>