

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT SHARED DECISION COMMITTEE
HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

October 6, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the District Shared Decision Committee of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on October 6, 2016 at the Jack Abrams STEM Magnet School Library, 50 Tower Street, Huntington Station, NY.

ATTENDEES

District Shared Committee Members:

Nancy Allard, Dr. Kenneth Card, Carol Coffey, Theresa Duffy, Keith Meyers, Marsha Neville, Melissa Ryan, Brian Stellato

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Carol Coffey and seconded by Brian Stellato to approve the Minutes of the District Shared Decision Committee meeting of May 31, 2016.

REPORT FROM SCHOOLS

Huntington High School

- First Meeting 10/19/16
- Goal report at next meeting
- Restorative Practices – new approach to discipline, less punitive, discuss truth about effectiveness of suspension, more involvement by parents, students and teachers. Training to be completed with the building leadership team.
- Mr. Cusack started the Principal Advisory Council, which involves students only.
- Homecoming was great!! School spirit and pride has improved.

Finley Middle School

No representatives

Woodhull Intermediate School

- Goals – discussion started at meeting
- Coding beginning in November
- Parents will be invited to participate in Coding Workshop.
- Career Day March 10, 2017 (tentative)
- Focus on parental involvement. Would like to increase participation of English language learner families; advertise that they will have translators for their meeting.

Jack Abrams STEM Magnet School

No representatives

Flower Hill Primary School

No representatives

Jefferson Primary School

- Recap from last year
 - “Brain Music” during arrival
- PTA assisted with creating the Jefferson logo to be put on memorabilia
- Parent Meeting – focus on academics
- K- Harvest festival coming up
- Focus on safe, responsible and respectful

Southdown Primary School

- Focus
 - Closing Achievement Gap
 - Increase parent involvement
 - Focus on creating kinesthetic classrooms - goal is to provide apparatus to meet the needs of students
 - Examples of kinesthetic activities was shared
- Splash activities focused on transitions
- School Climate Survey
 - Students mostly happy
 - Students feel they can go to adults in the building

Washington Primary School

- Number one goal is to increase parent involvement
 - Parent survey on when best to hold events
- Parent Night – book fair
- Leadership Program – supported by the PTA
- Two visits will be scheduled to Carillon Nursing Home
- Washington Way Monthly Assemblies
 - Students will perform skits

PTA

No Report

SEPTA

No representative

NANCY ALLARD – TITLE I

- Meet the Reading Teacher Night
- Increase to our Title I grant, may be able to provide babysitting and some transportation

REPORT FROM DR. CARD

Goals for 2016/2017 will be shared at Dec. 6th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No Report

FUTURE MEETINGS: Tuesday, December 6, 2016; Tuesday, March 7, 2017; Tuesday, May 30, 2017

We will be starting promptly at 4:00 p.m. Duration of the meeting will be approximately one hour. Members must be members of the Shared Decision Committee in their school. Please make sure an alternate is chosen to attend these meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Brian Stellato and Carol Coffey to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m.