

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

March 7, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the District Shared Decision Committee of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on March 7, 2017 at the Jack Abrams STEM Magnet School Library, 50 Tower Street, Huntington Station, NY.

ATTENDEES

District Shared Committee Members:

Suzette Biagi, Dr. Kenneth Card, Carol Coffey, Keith Meyers, Melody Renick, Melissa Ryan, Colleen Schmidt, Patti Weber

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Melody Renick and seconded by Suzette Biagi to approve the Minutes of the District Shared Decision Committee meeting of December 6, 2016.

REPORT FROM SCHOOLS

Huntington High School

8th Grade Orientation

- Club Fair, parents were able to hear about all the activities available
- ENL students shared about their experiences
- Senior Follies discussion
- Denis G. program for outgoing seniors
- Principals Advisory Council
- Relay for Life and D-Factor
- Mock Trial Finals – Week 1, Round 2
- “Stuff the Bus” underway, lots of donations have been received
- Coat, food drives have been ongoing
- Black History Month program

Finley Middle School

- Mindfulness being piloted in classrooms by teachers who volunteered
 - Teachers will report on how students are adapting
- Parent Portal usage being monitored

Woodhull Intermediate School

- Open House for 4th grade parents - Student Council gave a tour
- Spring Open House – Math and Science Night – Stations where students and parents will build “something”

- Career Day, Friday, March 10, 2017
 - Chris Hender – administrative intern is coordinating the event for the school.

Jack Abrams STEM Magnet School

- Character Education
 - One core behavior focus in the classroom
 - One theme per month, letter also sent home to parents
- National Helpers
 - Rob Gilmore shared his expertise, along with students from high school
 - Kids took a survey about things they are most concerned about and the adults they feel comfortable with
 - Citizenship – collectively think about and give back to the community
 - Animals
 - Veterans
 - Elderly
 - Volunteering
 - Civic cores

Flower Hill Primary School

No representatives

Jefferson Primary School

- First STEM Family Night held in January, well attended
- February Dual Languages Family Night, each grade level assigned to specific project (i.e. 3rd grade - Cutting Around the World; 4th grade - Famous Explorers)
- PARP Assembly
 - Guest readers at the end of the month
- Science Fair
- Safety Patrol underway
- “Beam of Light”

Southdown Primary School

- Community Read-in-Day started in February
- Sweetheart Dance
- Science Fair starts this week
- Splash Assembly & Splash of the Month
 - Target behaviors
- Allocating funds for new recess activities
- \$3,400 for Kinesthetic Classroom

Washington Primary School

No representatives

PTA

See SEPTA

SEPTA

- Major concern, SEPTA Membership
 - Suggestions – combination SEPTA/PTA Meetings next school year
 - Inclusive meetings

NANCY ALLARD – TITLE I

No Representative

REPORT FROM DR. CARD

- Chromebook Rollout
- Equity through Excellence
- Piloting new Literacy-Series
- Focus for Literacy in the Content Area
- Adoption of new computer programming course

NEW BUSINESS

No Report

FUTURE MEETINGS: 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 Carol Coffey and Keith Meyers to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m.