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School Council Meeting January 2, 2024 - 7 a.m.

Invitees: Scott Palladino; Joyce Bacchiocchi; Jill Johnson; Anne Berriault; Lester Smith; Christopher Gardner; Anne Cote; Billie-Jo Bean; Samantha Bumpus; Asher Hamilton; Megan Kashner; Jamie Wiksten; Rebecca Roy

In Attendance: Rebecca Roy, Joyce Bacchiocchi, Samantha Bumpus, Chris Gardner, Megan Kashner, Jill Johnson and Scott Palladino

Approved December meeting minutes 7-0

1. Reviewed recommendations of course of studies changes

A question was raised about if the new personal finance course would count towards the graduation requirement. Mr. Palladino stated it would. This was a course for students that wanted to challenge themselves a bit more.

Physical Education Classes being regrouped was discussed. Classes will be set up by students in grades 8 and 9 and the other classes will be in grades 10-12. This will help with maturity levels and safety.

Introduction to poetry and AP Computer Science classes were discussed as a student selected elective class based on survey feedback sent out to students.

Introduction to woodworking was created to give students in 8th grade another elective and to provide a feeder program for woodshop classes.

2. FY Budget update

The school committee approved a 6.7% increase to next year's budget which Mr. Palladino believes it will allow for all current programs to run and the students will not notice a difference.

3. Repairs to the school over holiday break

Mr. Palladino discussed the various small repairs being completed. He then discussed the new lighting in the auditorium and the painting outside the two counseling suites for new signage to promote various services offered in these rooms.

4. Boiler project update

Mr. Palladino reports the boiler is one hundred percent installed and they are working off a punch list of very small issues that will be addressed. The boilers are working great and our HVAC department is working on balancing some classrooms.

5. Scheduling update for next school year

Once the course of studies is approved on Thursday we will create the course selection sheets. Students will have the opportunity to select courses online through power school. We will have parents nights set up that coincides with the course selection process. More to come on this.

6. DECA Districts

Begin this Thursday and Friday. We have 32 students attending this event in Hyannis. Mrs. Bacchiochi and Dr. D'Andrea will serve as judges. Mr. Palladino hopes to get there for awards on Friday.

7. College Homecoming

Is this Friday at 1pm. This is an event for the seniors to hear from recent WHS graduates who are enrolled in college.

8. 8th Grade Parent

Information Night is scheduled for Thursday, January 18 @ 5:30pm @ WHS

9. AP/IB/DE Night

Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 1 @ 5:30pm

Next meeting scheduled for February 6, 2024