

## **Center School Council Meeting Minutes December 4, 2019 – Center School**

**Present:** John Galluzzo, Parent; Elixabeth Wilcox, Parent; Laura Louko, Parent; April Sheridan, Parent; Jill Joy, Teacher Representative; Alicia DiBara, Teacher Representative; Lori McKenna, Teacher Representative; Mark Lancaster, Teacher Representative; Russ Wilson, Assistant Principal, Ex-officio.

**Absent:** Jane DeGrenier, Principal; Jacqueline Porro, Parent.

### **Introductions**

Mr. Wilson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Joy made a motion to accept the minutes of October 2, 2019; Ms. Wilcox seconded; voted unanimously. Ms. McKenna made a motion to accept the minutes of November 6, 2019; Mr. Lancaster seconded; voted unanimously.

### **Open Comment**

Mr. Wilson commented on the snow day of December 3, and that 3 of 5 “built-in” days had already been used for the year.

### **Hanover Historical Society**

Mr. Galluzzo reported that he and Mr. Stephen O’Neil from the historical society would be meeting with Ms. Maura Donahue, representing the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers, on Tuesday, December 10, to discuss the upcoming Stetson House Scholars program funded by grants totaling \$6,000.

Mr. Galluzzo also reported that he and Mr. Lancaster had refined their program idea for the Society’s maritime history grant for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade team. In line with the students’ exploration of world cultures, students will write journal entries as if they were sailors, women or stowaways on Hanover-built ships visiting foreign ports. Mr. Lancaster stated that he would like to schedule a meeting after the turn of the year with Mr. Galluzzo, Mr. O’Neil, Principal DeGrenier and Mr. Wilson to finalize the plan and schedule.

### **MCAS**

Mr. Wilson reported that there was nothing new to report at this time. The schedule is typically completed after the December/January holiday break. The testing window is from April 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day. ELA typically precedes Math. Mr. Lancaster asked how many sessions of each subject there would be this year. Mr. Wilson responded that he believed it would be two ELA and two Math. Discussion ensued on whether or not students opt out of taking the tests, how medical situations are handled (e.g., if a student has a concussion and should not be looking at a computer screen), scoring rubrics and more.

### **School Improvement Plan**

Tabled.

### **Budget**

Tabled.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

The council will discuss a Historical Society update, MCAS, the School Improvement Plan, the Budget and more at their next meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.