

## School Council Minutes

October 9, 2019

Members in Attendance: Nicole Bissell, Melanie Peculis, Lori Pacheco, Pam Staney and Sabrina Webb

Members Absent: Andrea Berman and Joshua Brothers

To begin the meeting, the group shared the age of their children, about their favorite teacher and the biggest differences they have witnessed in education from when they were in school.

Mrs. Pacheco explained the purpose of the school council. The school council will oversee the 2018-2020 School Improvement Plan and write the 2020 – 2022 plan. This group also communicates to the committee issues they hear from community members in order to improve our school.

The meeting norms were reviewed. (The School Council meetings will begin and end on time. Everyone's opinion will count and the environment will be a safe one. The group will stay on topic. The School Council will be open to all suggestions and ideas.)

The dates for the 2019-2020 school council were set. (October 9, November 13, January 8, February 12, March 18, April 8, and May 13)

The Title One Parent Involvement Procedure document was signed by the School Council.

The 2018-2020 School Improvement Plan was reviewed. Mrs. Pacheco explained how the document was written to support the district's strategic plan. Academic Competencies: *To increase digital learning opportunities within the school.* Personal Competencies: *To increase community involvement within the school. Students will understand the importance of the saying "Everyone Matters" and participate in activities to promote kindness within their classrooms, their town and the world.* Interpersonal Competencies: *Charlton Elementary School will provide continuing support for social and emotional development.*

At the end of every meeting, there is a time set aside for parents to bring forth comments or concerns. There were two issues brought forth during this meeting. First, with both CES and HER dismissing at the same time it is very difficult to pick students up at two places in the allotted time frame. Mrs. Peculis was worried that her child was left at HER too long. Mrs. Pacheco will follow up with a conversation with Mrs. Pastore as well as inquire about the possibility of having a police detail at the end of Burlingame Road to help with traffic at the end of the day. A question was brought forth about charging to belong to the Choose to Be Nice Club. Mrs. Pacheco explained that the money is used to pay staff, as it extends their contracted day, pays for snacks for all 16 meetings, transportation when they visit places beyond walking distance, pays for a Choose to Be Nice shirt for all members and all necessary materials used during the meetings.

The meeting concluded at 4:20 p.m.