

GREENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL  
School Council Meeting  
Main Office Conference Room  
5:15 – 6:15 p.m.  
Jan. 14, 2020

**Minutes**

**In Attendance:**           **Aquinnah Mass, 8<sup>th</sup> grade class representative**  
                                  **Karin Patenaude, Principal**  
                                  **Siobhan Fitzgerald, Guidance Counselor and 4SC Parent Engagement**  
                                  **Coordinator**  
                                  **Grady Vigneux, CEO YMCA**  
                                  **Francesca Passiglia, Parent/Community Member**  
                                  **Erica Burns, Parent**  
                                  **Nancy Hazard, Greening Greenfield Community Member**  
                                  **Rachel Stoler, Parent/Community Member**  
                                  **Stan Rosenberg, Energy Savers/Cooler Communities**  
                                  **Mary Jane Eustice, Energy Savers/Cooler Communities**  
                                  **Oolie Nagel, Energy Savers/Cooler Communities**  
                                  **Miracle Leyro, 11<sup>th</sup> grade class representative**

**Absent:**                   **Bob Provost, Parent**  
                                  **Jordyn Tully, 10<sup>th</sup> grade class representative**  
                                  **Gabe LaRouche, 12<sup>th</sup> grade class representative**

1. Cooler Communities – Energy Savers
  - a. Energy efficiency projects
  - b. Cooler Communities – School systems identify teachers and a team who will work with students in a school. Students do research and pick subjects related to energy conservation. Students then develop projects related to research. This is a STEAM program. Any project is feasible as long as it relates to the research.
  - c. Work of students then goes in to the community which is a collaborative effort between the school and the community. Think combo art exhibit and science fair.
  - d. Online tools to help with curriculum planning and state standards. There are also liaisons available through the grant who will work with the schools.
  - e. Funding is approximately \$5,000 and used to support the school and students in this program
  - f. Climate change is one of the most hot topics among our students today

- g. Curriculum guide is in place – ranging from solar energy to composting to building solar ovens. Encourages cross-curricular collaboration among teachers and students.
- h. Carbon tracker and Greenie Points are given out to those who attend these events and a formula then tracks how much energy is saved and how much Co2 is reduced if people take these steps and make these commitments
- i. Greenie Points can be developed per school and community and then Cooler Communities creates a personalized one for our event
- j. Guides are available on line
- k. Community Foundation of Western Mass website– just fill out form. Non-competitive grant
- l. Would need a non-profit to work with the school to get the grant
- m. Links will be forwarded by Ms. Nagel so that teachers can review and peruse the curriculum that is developed already

## 2. Winter Music Concert Thursday Jan. 16

- a. Tables
  - i. CTC
  - ii. 4SC
  - iii. Youth for Change
  - iv. YMCA
  - v. Blueprint for Success
  - vi. Guidance/Scholarships/Scheduling 2020-21
  - vii. Greenfield Public Library
  - viii. Book to Movie Club/Library Club – Ms. Pollock
  - ix. Greening Greenfield – plastic bag ban – reusable bags
  - x. ELPAC and SEPAC
- b. Arrive at 5:45 p.m. to set up in Cafeteria.
- c. Advertised on WHAI as well as all call home to all families
- d. 6-7 p.m. tabling
- e. Stay for Music Concert 7-9 p.m. in the Auditorium

## 3. Planning – Next Event Night w/ Ms. Patenaude

- a. When – Saturday - February 1<sup>st</sup> Winter Carnival or Saturday, March 14 Greenfield Games
- b. Where – TBD – reaching out to Christy Moore at Rec Dept. to find an event on Saturday to attend and Erica Burns reaching out to Seth 2-4 p.m.
- c. Advertisement

- d. Press Release – give Rachel Stoler the information once decided if event is prior to the next School Council Meeting.
  - e. Other
4. Yondr Pouches
- a. Gabe Larouche – update from Athol High School
  - b. Pilot – what would it look like at GHS?
  - c. Pricing and funding – K. Patenaude reached out to company today for a quote
  - d. Parent/guardian concerns about “how would they actually get ahold of their children?”
  - e. Monty Tech – no cell phone use
5. Other Business
- a. Upcoming Events
    - i. Midterms – Jan. 21- Jan. 23 ½ days only for GHS
    - ii. February 6 “Minding Your Mind” at Baystate Franklin 6:15 p.m. pizza and free program at 6:30-8:00 pm
    - iii. Book to Movie Night February 7 at 5:30 p.m. in Auditorium
    - iv. Honor Roll Ice Cream Social – February 10 at 2:15 p.m.