Turkey Hill Middle School Advisory Council

School Advisory Council
Tuesday, Sept 29, 2015
In attendance: Ami Powers, Wendy Bertrand, Jeff Mendoza, Colleen Shapiro, Tim Santry, Jeff Mendoza, Rhonda Connery, Heidi Champagne

Transition Team debrief

Questions arise around:

- sports opportunities for 8th graders
- foreign language opportunities for 7th graders
- time frame for public forums
- students getting tours of new building – permit of occupancy around May 23
- name change for THMS: our recommendation as a SAC is: Oak Ave Elementary

Logos: Blue Knights will be official logo for 6-12: individual votes on our preferences

Gift Fund

$5,000 from Winter Wyman (Ruth Dufresne) – laptops for grades 6 and 7 (Google Chrome cart?)
PTO is having a budget meeting next month, might be donating to individual schools

We can fund one field trip per grade level without any cost to students. *Kids would like input on what assembly might be presented.*

Like to make a $5000 donation to new playground for Fall 2016. SAC approval

MCAS Scores – Released 9/24 – School Scores – Advanced Proficient remain around state average. 7th grade scores remain strong. 4th grade Math & ELA – still lagging – not where we need to be.
Look at in comparison to school improvement plan – we have strong student growth.
State supposed to make decision on PARC vs. MCAS by end of September

Handbooks: last handbook is 2011/2012 TCP Handbook – starting point for us for new Elementary School Handbook. Suggestion to put on Google Docs so we can all have imput. Should review all schools handbooks, to review all sections - as a group.

Schedule: Last Tuesday of each month 3:30 ** **except 10/20**

10/20 4:00	3/29 3:30
11/24 3:30	4/26 3:30
12/22 3:30	5/31 3:30
1/26 3:30	
2/23 3:30	

Next meeting start with handbooks.