

Nabnasset School

School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Meeting date	September 26, 2023
Time	4:00PM
Location	Conference Room
Members present	Nina Balfe-principal Megan Blanchard-second grade teacher John Cannistraro-parent Noelle Coulter-K teacher Dana Riegert-parent Michelle Srebnick-K teacher Mollie Winder-parent
Others present	
Members absent	Nancy Boutet Noelle Coulter
Discussion summary	Agenda item # 1 -Welcome, introductions, future SAC dates, public comment 1/29 Move to 1/22/24 2/26 Move to 2/12/24 3/25 move to 3/18/24
	Agenda item #2 -The role of the council, norms of collaboration, roles Active participation Listening to one another Respecting Differences Start and End on Time Safe Space to Discuss/Communicate
	Agenda item #3 - School update: enrollment, new staff/change in roles, safety, Volunteer Orientation, Back to School Night, 1st PTO Meeting, beginning of the year literacy and math assessments Enrollment Total 23-24SY 330 Preschool 11/14 class size for each 5 sections of kindergarten 18-22 5 section of first 18-22 students in each

5 Second 18-22

New Hires this school year 2023-2024

Beth Frederick new Pre-K TA, In process of hiring new special education TA, interim special education teacher covering for Lauren Soucie is Laura Troisi, interim special education TA Jim Elias, Julie Herman new art teacher, Melissa Keyo long term interim kindergarten teacher covering for Tori Thompson, interim long term math specialist Rajeswari S Subramaniyan, K TA in Sheila Grimm's room Valerie Morton, K TA in Kate Maguires room is Kim Brady

Safety Concerns Discussed:

Issues on day of outage- internet, cell phones went into SOS mode, couldn't communicate via walkie talkies, channel 12 works(will use in future to communicate amongst staff)

Nina met with SRO Tony

Bernardin, principals, superintendent, assistant superintendent and Bob Ware

Crisis Response Team Meeting Fri 9/15/23. -developing roles, continuing to review protocols.

Blackboard had been acquired by a new company the day before outage, emails not received by families. Emails should no longer be going to SPAM.

Ordering all new flashlights, PTO to help distribute to crisis bags.

Will continue to develop strong protocols

Emergency bag given to all learning spaces

Questions regarding communicating bus times if late- how are parents going to know the arrival of buses.

Other conversations include- ALICE Drill- We are Prepared, Not Scared book.

Other ideas include using lanterns - maybe mini grants?

Volunteer orientation/PTO meeting for parents this Friday 9/30 9:30-10 am

Nina Met with Hillary Barlow to talk about hopes and dreams for Nab Garden

*Nashoba Tech School possible volunteers or seniors come to help as well?

Idea of Beautification Day- Families, teachers and children work together to plant, garden, spread mulch etc.

Could we use Town Land Preservation Funds?

Feedback from Back to School Night

	<p>*Five minute buffer time between grade levels</p> <p>* Discussion around Kindergarten in the classroom or as whole k team</p>
	<p>Agenda item #4 -</p> <p>School Improvement Plan</p> <p>*All schools have the same goals- review all the goals- explanation of each</p> <p>Core Values- community meetings as a whole school- common language is used</p> <p>Spirit Certificates given out during monthly community meetings</p> <p>First one is in October</p>
	<p>Agenda item #5 Other</p> <p>Grant for Playground questions</p> <p>Funds were given by state rep- may need to raise more money</p> <p>Met with Jeff G and Jamie H working towards a new k-2 playground</p>
Actions taken	N/A
Action items	N/A
Agenda items for next meeting	<p>-Safety updates</p> <p>-Nab Garden updates</p>
Motion to Adjourn	Time: 5:10