



STONY BROOK SCHOOL

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Principal Interim Assistant Principal

Mr. Joseph Barnas Interim

School Advisory Council 2021-2022

The Stony Brook School Advisory Council collaborates respectfully and efficiently while developing and assessing goals towards a common objective in a fun environment that fosters listening and sharing and encourages feedback.

Date of Meeting: February 15, 2022

Time: **2:15** Location: REMOTE. Google meet link

Council Members:

Principal	Rick McElhinney	Present
Parent	Prajakta Kale	Present
Parent	Pooja Krishnamurthy	Present
Parent	Seema Pusalkar	Present
Parent	Tom Hinkle	Present
Parent	Arty Mourtzinis	Absent
Faculty	Michele Dulczewski	Present
Faculty	Mary Larkin	Present
Community	Beverly Doucette	Present

Agenda:

- No Quorum on January 18, 2022, SAC meeting
- Review Minutes from 11/16/21
- S.I.P. approval
- Enrollment updates-
 - 6th-grade changes
 - Project-Based Learning
- Student Handbook - work moving forward
 - Questions
 - Edits
 - Thoughts

Discussion:

- Minutes from 11/16/2021 were reviewed and approved
- SIP was approved
- Enrollment update - incoming 6th grade class is significantly smaller than the current 6th grade class. Faculty was reduced by 2 positions. 6th grade will consist of 2 four person teams.
- PBL - will no longer be a self contained classroom of 40 students and 2 teachers. PBL will still exist within the work of both 6th grade teams. There will be no lottery for PBL this year. A comparison of the current program to the future of the program was discussed. 6th grade will become a grade-level combination of traditional and project based learning. Teachers will have common planning and PD time to support the infusion of a deeper PBL influence in the curriculum..

Decisions:

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Action Items & Person Responsible:

- All members are asked to review the Student Handbook and come to the next meeting with any questions, concerns, edits or thoughts. Consideration for changes to wording or presentation of information pertaining to civil rights and racist incidents was raised.