Graham and Parks School

Cambridge Public Schools JK-5

Steering Committee

10 February 2022 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Steering Committee Meeting Norms

- Be punctual & prepared
- Avoid side bar conversations
- Be mindful of air time
- Assume positive intentions

Committee members in attendance:

Administrative Appointees:

Claudie Jean-Baptiste - Interim Principal

Lauren Morse - Family Liaison

Teacher Representatives:

Karima Cherguaoui - Co-Chair

Erin Garcia Katie Lynch Melissa Mihos Mary Gallagher

<u>Parent Representatives (bios here):</u>

Kris Dickson - Co-Chair Shawdee Eshghi - Secretary

Christian Henry

Vivian Pales - Hiring Committee Rep

Jessica Britton

Attendees

Shawdee

Lauren

Jen Lavalle

Fred Fantini

Jessica Jodi Rich Karima

Amber Fisher Anna Helmers Christian

Claudie David Weinstein Ela- Ben-ur

Erin Garcia jess Goetz Jessica

Kris Dickinson Mary Gallagher Melissa Mihos Mildred Gedeon

Meeting Convened, Introductions & Greetings | 7:01 pm

1. Principal's Update

- just hired a former G&P parent as a para for the month of February
- there is a new para 3 days a week
- there is a new gym teacher
- 4th graders will go swimming every Wednesday until April 13
- Friday Feb 18 is hat day!
- Amber and Lois are members of equity team meeting tomorrow morning
- Principal's search will start in March

- earlier search committees had family members as well as staff members from around the school, relatively big committee
- process involved interviews as well as site visits
- there is a district protocol regarding this process but the school decides who is on the committee (not confirmed)
- Cheryl DiPasquale school admin is also leaving at the end of the year
- Some discussion around process of search as well as criteria for selection of new principal
- Claudie's retirement has not been announced widely as she is waiting for the timing and process to be clarified
- Jen is also interim assistant principal so that position cannot be finalized until the principal role is filled
- Principal also hires the school clerk
- Please contact Lauren or Christian if interested in joining a sub-committee to coordinate G&P community preparation for search (different than actually serving on the search committee)

2. COVID updates

- rapid tests going home Wednesday next week to be taken Sunday mid day on the last day of February vacation
- starting Feb 28 test and stay program is ending
- Pooled testing continues
- Additional rapid tests to go home every other week if you opt in
- RE Masks nothing is changing until March 7 at the earliest
- 3. Padlet brainstorming activity