



Haggerty School

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Haggerty School Advisory Council (SAC)

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

6:00-7:30 PM

Haggerty Library

Agenda:

- **I. Introductions**
 - What's on Top? Peaches & Pits (celebrations/gratitudes and questions)
- **II. [Budget Updates](#) - [Haggerty Budget Website Info](#)**
- **III. Review the Data from Rindge Ave. Focus Group**
- **IV. Focus Group Planning - where to next?**

Attendance:

Nancy Campbell, Lissa Galluccio, Andrea Flammia, Liz Hill, Amy Ryan, Leah Kean, and Aminata Cham

Note Taker: Lissa Galluccio

I. Introductions & Peaches and Pits

- What's on Top?

Webinar training for SAC rep's is 90 minutes - one of the dates is an evening, maybe we could choose that and make it our SAC meeting? What's best for folks?

Peaches and Pits

- *Peach - Rindge Ave. Meeting last Thursday evening went well, and we had a good turn out. Pits from families were mainly regarding the bus to VLUS.*
- *We will do Corcoran Park again for a Focus Group - or is there a community room? Corcoran Park and CambridgePark Drive are the two other locations we should schedule for the Spring.*
- *Peach - K team today, with lots of changes coming in terms of curriculum and Universal PreK - they are really supporting each other.*

Budget Updates:

- Will share the Budget Update from the District when I get it (Budget presentation is March 12th at School Committee)
- One thing in the potential budget is supporting some of our educators getting their teaching licenses, or a master's, which is exciting for some of our educators, including paras.



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- Haggerty is third on the list of percentage of High Needs Students (High Needs is defined by the state: High Needs: Calculated based on the number of high needs students, divided by the adjusted enrollment. A student has high needs if they are designated as either low income (prior to 2015, and from 2022 to present), economically disadvantaged (from 2015 to 2021), English Language Learner/former English Language Learner, or a student who is identified with a disability.)
- Projections are that we will continue to serve this high needs population. Budget was proposed March 12th, and then it would be voted on by the School Committee (April), then approved by the City Council (May); once approved we will see it online and more publicly. Not changing any of our staffing - likely, we'll see more staff, as we need another English Language educator, to meet the needs of the number of students who require those services. And, we'll welcome an integrated Special Start Teacher. This means we'll have 15 classrooms. The State requires that we talk about the budget as a SAC. Once the budget is presented, we can keep talking about questions that arise as a result of the proposed budget.
- 1 of the Early Literacy interventionists is funded through Title I. This changes each year depending on the schools that are determined to be Title 1 schools. Haggerty is projected to continue to be a Title 1 school.
- CPS Soars - when is this coming out for summer programming and planning needs (Summer 2024).

Review Rindge Ave Focus Group - we will compile all the focus group data and make meaning out of them all at our June Meeting, as was the case last year.

What is the new timeline (for arrival and dismissal, ie., school hours) for next year? They are still in discussions. Dr. Greer is meeting with people from the schools to get feedback and will send a district level message out soon.

Idea for April SAC Meeting - Learn more about the content and purpose of Rainbow Club. Nancy is meeting with Sam Musher, invited to join us for April SAC mtg -(Sam works in Office of Equity, Inclusion and Belonging (OEIB) office and has expertise in the MA Safe Schools Guidelines, as well as the new SC Policy). We have more and more caregivers who are requesting that their families not participate in Rainbow Club, or any curriculum around gender, sexual education - ect. But the State mandates that we create safe spaces for all of our students. Sharing the books that are being read in Rainbow club, sharing the state guidelines, could be very helpful. The only real opt out is the "human sexuality education" content in 5th grade. We do have students who will choose their own pronouns, or transition, and want students to look back and think of Haggerty as a safe space.

Next Meeting: April 2, 2024