



Nantucket Elementary School
Joint School Student Council Minutes
April 6, 2017

Agenda for Meeting April 6, 2017

- I. NIS Building Tour
- II. Review and approve minutes
- III. Updates on:
 - a. Staffing and moves
 - b. Lip Sync
 - c. Staff Appreciation
- IV. Dress Code - postponed
- V. For the good of the order – set agenda

Next NES Council Meeting – Thursday May 4, 2017 NES Library

Minutes from Joint Council Meeting on March 9, 2017

The Joint School Council meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm at the CPS cafeteria. The NES council members in attendance were: Nina Slade, Jodi Levesque and Melanie Sabin

-Minutes were motioned and unanimously approved.

Construction Update on NIS – (Peter Cohen) Construction at this time is on schedule for a September opening. In the next two months the school will begin to offer dates and times to tour the new building. At this time there are portions of the building that are complete, common areas are awaiting completion.

Staffing Update – The District has been working on a more aggressive timeline to hire employees.

- The NIS principal search is well underway. The position of director of special education has been filled. They will also need to hire a guidance counselor.
- The NHS search for an assistant principal is also well underway with several applicants being asked back for second interviews.
- Any additional openings are budget related and will be posted after the annual meeting on April 1st.
- The general consensus among principals and council members is that recruiting highly qualified applicants is a challenge due to housing and being able to establish oneself within the community.

Dress Code – (Peter Cohen) Members of school committee have brought up the schools dress code. A subgroup has been formed consisting of members of school committee, superintendent, school council and students. School uniforms have been discussed and the sub-committee is discussing if a survey to the community for feedback and to gauge if there is interest in establishing school uniforms. Joint

council members were asked what their interest is in establishing uniforms for students.

- Council members discussed the pros and cons of school uniforms.
- The cost of uniforms was discussed as a concern.
- Dr. Cohen indicated that students seem to be ok with uniforms if they are able to pick them out.
- The council members were split in their feelings on the uniforms. Some council members thought that it could be beneficial to send out a survey and others felt that this should not be a priority and that there will still be dress code problems even if there was a school uniform.

The next Joint Council meeting will be June 15, 2017.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned 4:05pm.