# **Farmington River Elementary School Council**

### Minutes #2

## <u>Farmington River Elementary School Staff Room</u> <u>Wednesday, November 6, 2024, 3:30 PM</u>

Attendees: Erika Chait, Laurie Flower, Jennifer Hibbins, Amy Maxton, Charlie Ransom

- 1. Called to order at 3:34pm.
- 2. Public Comment: none
- 3. Welcome & Introductions
  - Introduction of council members New Members: Meaghan Martin, 1st grade and Amy Maxton, Kindergarten. Looking for one more teacher representative.
- **4. Approval of Minutes from October 3, 2024:** Laurie motioned to approve, Charlie seconded, and unanimously approved.

### 5. Budget Calendar

- Briefly reviewed the <u>budget calendar</u> presented to the School Committee
- Recommend changes before January School Committee meeting.
  Include funds for foreign language and enrichment?

#### 6. Review School Enrollment Goal

• Discussed ideas to increase enrollment, given census information:

Only 4 preschool students incoming. Successfully recruited 9 school choice students but lost 17 graduating. May combine preschool and early K next year. Facebook ad brought in 4 students and at least 4 from word of mouth. Erika suggests rep from school go to CHP local playgroups, as well as Blandford. Extend to full day program? Also hold an Open House in Fall and Spring. Charlie reminded Laurie about surveying homeschoolers and choice outs. Consider daycare program like SBRSD, possibly with 3rd party like Head Start renting space. Charlie suggests reviewing Zillow school profile rating.

#### 7. Brainstorm SIP Goals

- Looked at sample goals from MA districts
- Reviewed our SOA plan and PRISM grant goals (early literacy grant with Gateway district)
- Began a list of possible goals for FRRSD: enrichment goals, chronic

absenteeism, academic achievement goals for ELA MCAS scores, implementing data-driven instruction to boost achievement.

## 8. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

- Confirmed the date for the next meeting Thurs, December 12 3:15 PM
- Charlie motioned to adjourn, Erika seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 4:29pm.