

J.C. Solmonese Site Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: December 14, 2016

Location: J.C. Solmonese School, Room 165

Time: 6:00pm

Staff	Parents/Community Member
Riitta, Bolton, School Principal, Chairperson	Julie Erving
Jennifer Ryan	Lorinda O'Connell (community member)

Attendees:

Meeting called to order 6:00PM

Documents Distributed by Mrs. Bolton:

1. Agenda
2. Revised JCS School Improvement Plan (2015-2018)

Items Discussed

1. Introductions of new member, explanation of purpose
2. Budget
 - a. Submittal for budget proposal entered December 8th, to include mostly materials based on feedback from staff. Total value was \$13,000, which excludes curriculum materials
 - b. Explanation of how figure was derived (teacher surveys), & how its approved by committee
 - c. School Committee approved funding for new tablets in light of MCAS evolving to tech-based
 - d. \$30,000 has been approved for new reading programs for Elementary Schools, to be allocated across schools based on head count, which leaves equitable funding for JCS
 - 2.d.1. Question TBD: how will the reading materials be disbursed within JCS? Class/unit?
3. School Improvement Plan; Goal #1
 - a. Explanation of the objective in closing the achievement gap & statistics
 - b. Focus highly on subgroups: Economically disadvantaged, students with disabilities, high needs
 - 3.b.1. Resistance to adhere to the MCAS Alt track for lingering possible effects on their future
 - c. Looking for alternative solutions: proposal for budget – additional resources to accommodate measuring & gauging levels within groups, orchestrate a sort of structure to help teachers/staff strengthen weak areas for individual students

Meeting Ended 6:30 pm.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2017 at 6:00pm, JCS School Room 165

Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Erving, Recorder

Riitta Bolton, Chairperson