



TOWN OF NORTON

Norton Middle School SITE Council

(Committee)

MINUTES

Date: Thursday, January 10, 2013

Time: 6:00PM

Location: Norton Middle School Administrative Conference Room

Members & Staff Present: Mary Valentine, Jill Bercovitch Blake, Sharon Gauvin, Becky Albert Gretchen Stalters, Michael O'Rourke, Ron Goldstein.

Members Not Present: Virginia Murray

The meeting was called to order at: 6:00 PM

Minutes from the November 8, 2012 Meeting were reviewed and Approved with No adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Learnapalooza: Parent Volunteers to help organize.
Survey will take place about Learnapalooza (R. Goldstein and teachers)
Once Learnapalooza was implemented, students made AYP in Math, which definitely contributed to making AYP. The event does cost a lot of money to put together.

Wheaton College: Great connection to higher education.
Students have been tutoring at NMS. Dropout prevention- intervene with at-risk students before High School.
Discussion about article in the Wheaton Quarterly having to do with Wheaton's relationship with the Norton Public Schools. Can this be forwarded to the Norton Patch?

NELMS Spotlight School:
NMS has applied to be named a "Spotlight School".
NELMS representatives to come to NMS to do a site visit, possibly on January 28.
Is there any leverage in our being named a Level 1 school regarding MCAS scores?

MCAS
We are in "MCAS Mode". ELA testing will occur in mid-March. May testing will be for math. Grade 8 students only are tested in Science and Technology.
ICE period to be used for MCAS prep.
NMS made AYP due to the growth, not numbers.
Teachers will meet (PLC's) to devise plans best for them.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

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Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM until the next meeting on Thursday, February 7 at 6:00 PM at the Norton Middle School Administrative Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Approved by Committee on: 2/7/13
(Date)

Signatures:

(Name & Title)

Chairman, _____
(committee)