

## School Family Council Meeting

The Mount Washington School #221

March 1, 2022 - Minutes

Agenda Topic	Facilitator	Timeframe	Notes
Welcome and Meeting Logistics, Introductions  Notetaker:	Leaha Charles-Pierre/  Amalie Ward		<b>Attendance:</b>  <b>Teachers/Staff:</b> Ms. Charles-Pierre, Ms. Piatt, Ms. Flowers, Ms. Sam, Dr. Smith, Mr. Johnson  <b>Parents Representatives/ Parents/Community Partners:</b> Toja Okoh, Eric Norton, Amalie Ward, Molly Mara, Molly Allen, Ilene Berman, Jocelyn Casser, Khai Eason's mom, Warren Chambers  <b>Students:</b> Madeline Burell
General Updates	Leaha Charles-Pierre/  Amalie Ward		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parent chair opening for next year, Spring elections if needed - Amalie</li><li>• Community food event - could be live with BIT rescheduled - Tavian</li><li>• How To Make Bloomz work for You- Suggested Zoom presentation (recorded to be watched later) Amalie (Bloomz works better if you log in through Clever), Youtube videos that Ms. Jacobs posted are really helpful- gives short cuts, could grade band reps help parents connect? Parents may just be on email- maybe send email about Bloomz. helpful to share reminders to parents at different times of the year, Dr. Smith says he gets Bloomz notifications (as a parent) by email which he finds very convenient- he will look into how to opt into that option. Send tips/frustrations to Amalie amalie.a.ward@gmail.com</li></ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggested gift for every student who wants one: Supreme Court Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson pin after her approval (April?). Most said an item is not necessary but they support a celebration/ assembly about the importance. Amalie noted that she will still make pins and admin noted that SFC supports an assembly/celebration on the topic of her approval!</li> </ul>
Principal's Update	Sara Long (or admin representative)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget discussion- postponed by a week - admin will advertise to the school when this will happen</li> </ul>

Committees overview - any updates	Leaha Charles-Pierre/ Amalie Ward		<p><b>Whole school issue/not just for a committee</b></p> <p>Molly Allen- Playground- How can the LB children experience recess on the playground and not on a parking lot. Are we on a 21st century building list? Can LB and UB switch buildings? Can volunteers walk students up with teachers to have recess on the playground? Dr. Smith added the fact that the LB is leased from the Archdiocese, Madeline said as a middle school student, she also thinks the littler kids need access to the playground. Mr. Johnson will look into where MWS stands on the 21st Century Schools list and let SFC know at next meeting. Ms. Piatt commented that Dulaney High School recently had a parent advocacy push that resulted in the high school being slated for a new building. Molly Allen and Toja Okoh will spearhead a parent-lead initiative to investigate and advocate for MWS getting a new building because: we are not ADA accessible,, our children in the LB lose multiple days of learning due to heat-related closures, our school was not designed to house middle-school students as it was made for k-5-sized bodies, our LB students can't use the playground as it is at the other building &amp; we are bursting at the seams.</p>
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<b>Meeting adjourned</b>			