Dummerston Leadership Council Minutes

Meeting Minutes from 9/15/23

Present: Julianne Eagan, Carmen Winchester, Jessica Nelson, Lance Neeper, Michelle Luetjen Green, Hannah Van Loon (online), Melissa White (online)

Guests: Christine Bricault, Emily Wagner, Caroline Peknik, Daniel Gehring, Rick Bryck

Call to order 5:05pm

- I. Introductions and welcomes
- II. Approved Minutes from August Meeting
- III. Determine current membership
 - A. Christine Bricault, Daniel Gehring, and Caroline Peknik have all officially requested to join the leadership council.
 - If other community members are interested, they should follow up with an email to Carmen or Julianne.
 - B. Current staff members: Kim Lane (New), Ellen Rago (new), Hannah Van Loon,Molly Olgesby, Carmen Winchester, Julianne Eagan
 - C. Carmen will reach out to members we haven't heard from in awhile to see if they still want to take part.
- IV. Elect a new Chair
 - A. Co-Chairs elected- Carmen Winchester and Michelle Luejten Green
- V. Urgent Updates ONLY
 - A. No Urgent updates

- I. Goal setting and planning for 2023-2024 school year
 - A. Reviewed previous goals from 2019, many of which the school community has made progress on (e.g. playground and outdoor renovations, diversity and inclusion)
 - B. Looked at dreams/gripes, and how we might explore opportunities.
 - 1. Themes: transportation (afterschool programming, to school events, equity between what is offered at BAMS vs. outlying schools); family and community engagement; arts and music enrichment; facilities: bathrooms, parking lot, space issues; parent volunteers (yearly fingerprinting requirement being burdensome); food quality, wellness and sustainability; continued enhancement of outdoor space and offerings; inclusivity (on multiple levels including student with disabilities, gender expansive/trans children, queer families).
 - C. During our October meeting we will set time aside to discuss priorities moving forward and different ways we could approach initiatives we would like to move forward.
- VI. Adjourned 6:35