## The Bromfield School School Council Minutes - June 12, 2018 Faculty Lunchroom 3:00

Karen Strickland, Scott Hoffman, Katy Covino, Kate Selig, Jessica Finnegan, Risa Goldman (visitor), Alice Bartram, Susan, Ellen Sachs Leicher, Chris Jones, Colleen Nigzus, Deb Barton

**Vision Statement**: The Harvard Public Schools community, dedicated to educational excellence, guides all students to realize their highest potential by balancing academic achievement with personal well-being in the pursuit of individual dreams. The students engage in learning how to access and apply knowledge, think critically and creatively, and communicate effectively. They develop the confidence and ability to understand diverse perspectives, collaborate, and contribute to their local, national and global communities.

- Introduce and Welcome New Members: Jessica Finnegan and Katherine Covino
- A Goodbye to Members Leaving: Jessie Jiang and Alice Bartram
- Principal's Update
  - Prom and Celebration May 18
  - Student Photo Exhibit Now in Public Library
  - Reality Fair June 1
  - Senior Barbeque June 6
  - Senior Athletic Awards June 5
  - Senior Scholarship and Academic Awards Night June 7
  - Class Day June 7
  - Graduation June 8
  - BAC Dance June 15
  - Finals begin Thursday, June 14
  - Eye on Education (WBZ) this Friday, June 15
  - Last Day of School June 20 (half-day)
  - o Academic Awards (Grades 9-11) Last Day of School
  - 2nd issue of Mirror published (now authorized as club with a stipend for advisor)
- Reality Fair Recap The fair had over 50 volunteers from our community and local businesses. The 92 participating students enjoyed themselves and learned a lot. Ledger sheets showing how they spent their take-home pay on housing, transportation, food, clothing, other essentials and not-so-essentials were sent home to parents for additional dialog about life after Bromfield.
  - School Improvement Plan Plan to meet in the summer during July.

- Narrow Focus Identify Key Areas
- Balance What is the balance between academic achievement and personal well-being? Homework Policies; AP Policies; MS Health and Wellness-next steps.
- Curriculum New Standards (Science and Social Studies)
- Faculty Ideas
- **■** Goals of Administration
  - Provide Safe and Secure Environment for All
  - Support Engaged Teaching and Learning
  - Activate Community Pride
    - Pep Rallies and Beyond
    - Clean Schools
- Subcommittees for 2018-2019 school year
  - Handbook SubCommittee
    - School Council meet on July 17, 9am-?
    - Look at Chart of Rules
    - Attendance Policy
  - Careers
  - Climate
    - Examine Surveys
    - Preliminary Data
    - Prepare to present to School Committee
- New Business
- Student petition to take home computers in good condition for summer academic and potential college use. Letter from parents authorizing, accepting responsibility.
- Circulate NYT article by David Leonhardt re. college costs.

**Ben Myers** 

**Secretary, Bromfield School Council**