

School Council Meeting Agenda
March 30, 2017
2:30 p.m. in the ELC library

Note Taker: Kerrin Wood

Attendance: Rebecca Gordon, Debbie Casey, Rebecca Martin, Matilde Graciano, and Kerrin Wood

Absent: Dina Snook

I. Enrollment Update

A.) There are 264 tuition-based students. This is up from February's figure of 238.

B.) As of March 27, 2017, the total ELC enrollment is 375 students. This is an increase from February's figure of 359.

II. After School Programming 2017-2018

A.) The ELC has outsourced its After School program to AlphaBEST. This decision was based upon the following reasons:

- i) Better for Families
- ii) Programmatic
- iii) More support

B.) AlphaBEST is a nation-wide after school childcare program. Based on Kaplan's educational system, AlphaBEST combines both learning and fun for students.

- i) The price will actually be the same or less than the price of the current program.
- ii) AlphaBEST accepts vouchers, offers several discounts and drop-in programs, and provides snacks.

III. Kindergarten Registration

A.) ELC Families have been given priority registration and they are able to register their children at the ELC whereas prior to this, families needed to go to the Parent Information Center.

B.) Malden Public Schools hold an info session for children entering kindergarten at each child's school in the summer.

IV. Career Day Planning

Career Day will be held on two consecutive days: Wednesday, May 24 and Thursday, May 25, 2017.

- A.) Career Day will be divided into two sessions: 9:00am - 10:15am and 12:00pm - 1:15pm
- B.) It will be held both in the gym and in the parking lot, which will be blocked off during those hours.
- C.) Ms. Gordon will reach out to an ELC teacher to contact the Mayor, DPW, fire department, police, and EMT. Ms. Gordon will contact the Superintendent.
- D.) Matilde will look into contacting a park and recreation specialist and a hairdresser.
- E.) Rebecca will email staff to ask ELC parents if they are Community Helpers.
- F.) Kerrin will contact JRM Hauling and Recycling.

V. Future Meeting dates

The next Council meeting will take place on May 11, 2017.

Meeting Dates: 2:30 p.m. in the ELC library

October 20	November 17	January 12	February 16
March 30	May 11	June 8	