

BEEBE SCHOOL

401 PLEASANT STREET

MALDEN, MA 02148

BUILDING A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT CHILD BY CHILD

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Beebe School Council Minutes February 27, 2019 @ 5:00 PM

1. Attendance
2. 8th grade presentation regarding the elimination of plastic waste in our community
 - a. Goal: biodegradable alternatives
 - b. Possible steps
 - i. Ban plastic bags and straws
 - c. Mayor Christenson
 - i. Shared what the city is doing now, explained the letter and possible ordinances regarding single use plastic he sent to city council
 - ii. Monday March 18, Linden STEAM Academy at 6:30pm city council will vote on the use of recyclable and reusable bags
 - iii. Action for students:
 1. Attend meeting
 - a. If you can't attend the meeting submit a written testimony
 2. Read and offer amendments regarding single use straws (and other improvements that could be made)
3. Parent volunteer update
 - a. Five in the building
 - b. Library will now be open Thursday as well!!
 - c. Teachers would like more volunteers
 - d. Volunteer psychologist to train staff on ADHD and such
4. ABA Playground update
 - a. Hoping it will be complete by the spring
5. Playworks will begin working at Beebe in the Fall of 2019
 - a. Trains kids how to play and get along at recess
6. Parent survey results
 - a. Results - improving communication with parents (school has had PD on it), diversify the staff, help with multi-lingual needs
 - b. Sharing of results on the website
 - i. Waiting for all translations before posting online
 - c. Implementation of PBIS at the school
 - i. Will begin this year. We are a pilot school for the district with it
 - d. How do we follow-up with this
 - i. Online survey
7. Schedule for the next year

8. Budget requests
 - a. Club money
 - b. Create a makerspace
 - c. Added 2 transitional paraprofessionals and 1 PACE paraprofessional
 - d. What will happen with 6 kindergarten classes going into 4 first grade?
 - e. Staff scheduling (more music and art)
 - f. Computer curriculum and improvements: tablets to work with app builder, breakout ed escape the room, laser cutter
 - g. Everfi will work in grade 6 to understand money
 - h. Counselor educator
 - i. Utility aid
 - j. Added substitute for STAT meetings
 - k. Looking to add substitute coverage for once a month to collaboratively meet with teams about data
 - i. Multi-tiered system of support
 - l. School resource officer to be here more often, so that kids can see that the police are here to support them
9. Terracycle update
 - a. Going really well, more than $\frac{3}{4}$ to meet goal at 700 right now
 - b. Student aspiration team partnership
 - c. Put something on the website and on the Beebe bulletin regarding terracycle
10. Earth day 4/22
 - a. Mrs. Corbett in-charge
 - b. Eliminating plastic use - Straws/Bags
11. Read Across America Day
 - a. March 1 - Kiwanis Readers
12. STEM
 - a. Grade 7 &8
 - i. Nametags by students for administrators, insoles for shoes
 - b. Grade 3 partnership with TUFTS
13. Hoops for Heart
 - a. Goal is to raise 10,000
14. Parent Aspirations meeting
 - a. What are the next-steps?
15. School improvement plan
 - a. Waiting for template
16. Astronaut skype on 4/24 with grades 4 & 5 from the Johnson Space Center
 - a. Trying to increase exposure of students to various careers
17. Black History Month celebrations at the Beebe (school council)
 - a. Increase exposure and implement a program next year
 - i. Different grade levels read each morning
18. Principal Search Update