

School Council Meeting 1/17/18

In attendance:

Michael Kascak- principal
Kathy Lesanto- Special Ed. Liaison
Vanessa Jones - parent
Dayna DiCicco- community representative
Hallie Riley- classroom teacher
Sarah Burns- parent

Discussed transition from Hillside to Sunita Williams

- Committee to help with the transition to new building
- Sunita Williams school is the first building named after a woman

School Improvement Plan

- Starting out with minimal SIP and then allowing it to grow
- Transition to new building (Goal 3)
- Goal 1- Curriculum- Writing Units of Study - Lucy Calkins
- Goal 2- Social Emotional- Addressing bias-based incidents, and proactively educating about diversity

DESE Resource: (PD for staff 1/16/18)

- How do we respond to bias-based incidents?
- Gender choices in MA- female, male, non-binary
- Race
- Embracing diversity

Focus on:

- Teachable Moments
- Resources
- Parent Communication

Outdoor classroom at the new school

- The signage
- Taking advantage of outdoor space
- Initiative in UK- how to take your classroom outdoors (Vanessa)

Hallie introduced the Writing/Reading Units of Study to parents

- Sarah talked about looking at how we integrate social emotional and curriculum and where there may be holes