

Classical Magnet Parent Senate Meeting Minutes November 9, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

- ❖ Update from Librarian, Denise Kennedy -Integrated Electives Highlights
 - Reading: Integrating the READ 180 Program
 - Art: October 29th: National Portfolio Day at University of Hartford, Classical students attended; Visiting artist Dalton Ghetti presented to all 271 art students; Digital photography students to University of Hartford photography exhibit
 - Music: pep band performances at YMCA; preparation for combined Winter Concert; high school regional auditions will take place in November
 - Theatre: Students attended CT Educational Theatre Association conference; One Act play reading series on select Friday afternoons (October 21, November 18). TOTS EAT food drive benefits local soup kitchen; Julisa Webb selected for "WRITE ON!" at Hartford Stage
 - Library: One School, One Author preparation; very busy with many, many classes using library resources for science fair and history day, and high book circulation among students and staff (October circulation was 1401); helping TEAM 9 with Tempus Day celebration plans, which will take place day before Thanksgiving
- ❖ Principal's Update – Letesha Jones
 - Storm Alfred
 - If didn't get a call during this time make sure you get your phone number updated with the office
 - Transportation – goes by school district, absences are excused if due to power outage
 - No homework was given
 - Tomorrow 11:15 release and middle school anti-bullying program
 - Marking period ends today; if didn't get opportunity to make up work prior to end of marking period due to power outage, talk to the teacher
- ❖ Reading of Proposals
 - 2011-12-1 (Common Room) and 2011-12-3 (Dress Down on Exam Days)
 - Discussion of the proposals with one of the authors, 10th grader, Caitlin McQuade
- ❖ New Business
 - Ms. Avezzie (860-695-9236)- advise of any family in need of Thanksgiving baskets. The recipients are kept confidential. Ms. Avezzie also looking for people to deliver the baskets.
 - School Directory – discussion of possibility in future to get parent consent with other paperwork at beginning of year to have their contact info included.
 - Parent Senate Parent Engagement – minutes are now updated online; bulletin board on ground floor also have these minutes
 - Safety/Traffic Initiative – parent will contact other area businesses and the City of Hartford to discuss the safety needs of the students (crossing guards, school zone alerts, crosswalks)

❖ Old Business

- Internet Sites 101 for Parents – Deb Spencer spoke with a person who did this workshop in her town; parent session = \$600; student session to advise of dangers, consequences also available for \$450/hour

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.