**PIC MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 6, 2018**

1. **Welcome -** *Margie Rafferty-Criscione*

2.  **District Update**

* Student-Led Conference Pilot - *Marla Weinstein & Kara Markiewicz (*<https://tinyurl.com/PIC020618>)

(Currently, this program is being piloted at the grammar school level only. There are no plans to bring this to the middle or high schools.)

* [Proposed New Middle School Schedule](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1t1KLnTjj_M5dg4Wg-jWFethw9JFaUaaMhoYwHdT8qTs/edit?usp=sharing) - *Kim Pickus, Mike Scarano*
* [Grade 4-5 Elementary Departmentalized Program](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1KVbF7IexDjVIIhrKWWddm7V2km8RI4WpUC04AfMaWtM/edit?usp=sharing) - *Dan Imbimbo, David Whitman*
	+ Discussion of the pilot program at the 3rd grade level

3. **MTFOdL** - *Magaly Milton, Dr. Heather Saffert*

1) Elementary IEP Progress Reporting will follow the new report card schedule and will be issued on a trimester basis.

2) Inclusive Basketball at High School South – ongoing

 *a) Students can join at any time.*

 *b) District contacts are John Werner and Ashley Sogluizzo.*

3) Resources from Basic Rights in Special Education Presentation of 1/30/18 (provided by SPAN):

  *a) Special Education Frequently Asked Questions video clips*

 [*http://spanadvocacy.org/content/faqs-special- education*](http://spanadvocacy.org/content/faqs-special-)

 *b) Center for Parent Information and Resources* [*http://www.parentcenterhub.org*](http://www.parentcenterhub.org)

4) New BOE Liaison to MTFOdL

 *a) Welcome is extended to Joan Minnuies*

 *b) Thank you to Danielle Walsh*

5) Next MTFOdL Parent Meetings at the Middletown Public Library (7 PM-8:45 PM) are:

 *a) Tuesday, February 27, 2018*

 *b) Tuesday March 27, 2018 - Focus on Struggling Readers and Dyslexia*

4. **Board of Education** **Meeting Report** - *Pam Rogers, Danielle Walsh*

The BoE wanted to recognize Middletown Ice Rink and the NJ Titans for their anti-bullying program, and *Middletown Helps Its Own* and the *Kortney Rose Foundation.* In honor of School Board recognition month, Mrs Minnuies thanked the board for their volunteer hours and dedication.

The administration is actively seeking input from the community to finalize the proposed changes to the middle-school schedule. Please contact your principal with your input.

Upcoming February Board Meetings: Feb. 20 and Feb. 28 @8pm @HS north.

See your PTA president to become a Board Rep. Board reps attend board meetings and share their summary of those meetings with their PTA. Some schools put these “two minute takeaways” in their eblasts. Takeaways are meant to be a quick way to get information out to our community, to promote transparency throughout our district.

The board will discuss social media options at the February 20th Board meeting. There is a proposal for a BoE Facebook page that will be voted on at this meeting.

While there is no current plan to address enrollment challenges, Dr George will provide insight at the Board’s February 20th meeting.

5. **Old Business**

Dr. George addressed the question regarding additional time for policy review. Going forward, policy updates, revisions and new policies will be posted with the BOE Workshop meeting documents rather than with the BOE Voting meeting agenda, as is the current protocol.

**Next meeting will be March 6, 2018**