# Pierce School Site Council 2022-2023 Meeting 1: Wednesday, October 19th 4:30-5:30pm IN PERSON John Badger's Office (just off the main lobby) Norms Start on time; Use "I" Statements; Be Fully Present; Consider Other Perspectives; End on Time Members Staff: David Carter, Marlene Goncalves, Greg Kester, Amy Woogmaster Parents: Molly Cohen, Brad Coleman, Audrey Lee, Susie Ma, Emily Weiss Principal: Jamie Yadoff Community Members: Jason Greenberg, Henry Hryniewicz Attendees David Carter, Marlene Goncalves, Amy Woogmaster, Molly Cohen, Brad Coleman, Audrey Lee, Susie Ma, Emily Weiss

A reminder of roles and responsibilities of School Site Council's can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

Time	Topic	Notes
4:30-4:45	Introductions, Shout Outs	Shout out to Audrey for being the former co-chair. Shout out to Amy who took useful data from last year, made it accessible to teachers this year. Shout out to the 6th grade team. Feels like a big shift for the kids. It was organized. Appreciate the orientation and newsletters.  Shout out to the K-2, 3-5 teams. We're piloting dibels in K-2 as part of the mandated screeners. 3-5 is rolling out a new spelling connections curriculum after about an hour of training. People are making the best of the circumstances of the difficult roll out.  Congratulations for getting through the first few weeks of school. It seems to have been smooth. Shout out for open houses! It was nice to be back in person. 6th grade team did a really nice job orienting all of us.  Shout out to parents for being open to the wider range of times so that grades did not overlap.
4:45-5:05	Quick Principal Updates:	MSBA Selectboard initially didn't move the project forward. The team went through a line by line review, either justifying or eliminating. Demo ended up being less than was originally thought.

All of that combined to get the price down below 200 million. School board voted for 199.7. Select board added geothermal and 3.5 mil in escalation costs back in. They voted in about 210 mil. They also voted to recommend that it not go on the ballot until the operating override was also on the ballot so they could be together. In order for the town to do that--that's May. They haven't actually said it's going on the May ballot and have said it won't be later than May.

If it passes and is appropriated, instead of moving out during the summer, it'd be mid-year. Demo would begin March 2024. We'd move back in July 2027.

Teachers and staff can't be involved in conversations about tax payer dollars, but parents can engage in those conversations.

Clark Rd does not seem to be on the docket for a renewed lease, so Pierce will use OLS and some other space.

### SIP

We had a 1 year plan. At the recent principal-superintendent meeting, it was agreed that we can do a 3 year SIP. It's a heavy lift with a lot of action steps and requires more community stakeholder involvement. We may not have a fully drafted one by the end of the year and will treat it like a living document.

One of our goals has to be about the building project, but beyond that, we have a lot of scope and ability to focus on what we want.

# **Budget**

The Superintendent is trying to get us to plan budgets in 5 year cycles. The SIP will be 3 years and tied to 3 years of budget asks.

## 5:05-5:20

### Immediate tasks:

- Select co-chair (or begin process)
- Goal setting for this year

We have to select a co-chair (at least begin the process) and we need to identify what people's goals are on school council.

One of the principal's goals is to create an ongoing plan for election cycles. How are we going to manage that?

		Parents will talk off line about which of the 4 parents will take the baton after talking with Audrey about what the role is.  Conversation about how to increase teacher to parent communication about the learning happening each day.
		Surveys from the spring show that people want to talk about homework as do staff, so that conversation needs to happen, but not this year.  Perhaps we need a conversation about how parents can talk with OTL.
5:20-5:25	New Business	
5:25-5:30	Open Comment	