

**Parents' Representative Council Meeting**  
**Friday, March 17, 2017**  
**12:00 – 1:30 PM**  
**Central Office – Hammonasset Room**

**Purpose**

The general purpose of the Parents' Representative Council (PRC) is to advise the Superintendent regarding parental concerns about the schools, to provide a forum for parent liaisons from each school to have a voice in decision making and problem solving and to foster a spirit of cooperative community and parental involvement in the promotion of the Madison Public Schools.

**PRC Meeting Dates**

September 16	January 20	May 19
October 21	February 17	June - TBD
November 11	March 17	
December 16	April 21	

**AGENDA**

**Attendees**

<b>PRC Chairperson</b>	Maureen Lewis
<b>DHHS</b>	Katie Wallace, Keiler Snow
<b>Polson</b>	Julie Pildner
<b>Brown</b>	Denise Fogleman, Chris McSweeney, Diane Infantine-Vyce
<b>Island Ave.</b>	No attendees
<b>Jeffrey</b>	Dori Antonetti, Lisa Lee
<b>Ryerson</b>	Beth Emerson
<b>TCLC</b>	No attendees

**Meeting Notes**

**1) Welcome/Introductions**

Meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Maureen Lewis.

**2) Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Scarice reported the Board of Selectman adopted the Board of Education budget for next year – next stop is the Board of Finance. Two public hearings are scheduled. The school utilization study continues. The district is reviewing what a five school model will look like. Enrollment continues to decline; currently at approximately 2,500, not including the TCLC. Island Avenue is under consideration for closing with the remaining two elementary schools serving the northern part of the town and the southern & central parts of the town. Brown will serve grades 4 & 5 and Polson will serve grades 6, 7 and 8. Superintendent Scarice stressed this is all subject to change.

The March snowstorm added another school day and graduation has not been announced as yet.

Assistant Superintendent Gail Dahling-Hench gave a brief tour of the district's new website, with particular focus on the curriculum portion.

### 3) Review /Approve Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of February 17, 2017 meeting by Denise Fogleman, second by Diane Infantine-Vyce.

### 4) Subcommittee Reports / Updates:

- a) **DHHS – M.A.D.E.:** Next event – April 5 – Hidden in Plain Sight – an interactive, mock teenage bedroom will be set up in the Town Conference Room A, followed by a 6 p.m. roundtable discussion.
- b) **Polson – Food Council – Meeting dates:** October 20, December 22, February 23, April 25. The goal this year was to make money and we are on target. Students are happy with the changes to the menu. At the elementary schools, pasta and white bread are now offered. Working to have larger run on purchases, capitalizing on after school sports and offering staff the option of ordering food each and every day. Next meeting in April.
- c) **Brown – Transportation Council. Meeting dates:** October 6, December 8, February 9, April 6. No meeting.
- d) **Jeffrey – MYFS:** cancelled due to snowstorm.
- e) **Ryerson – Art Show:** No date for art show as yet.
- f) **IAS – Custodian Appreciation:** waiting on date.
- g) **TCLC:** No report.

### 5) Review: Roundtable

- a) **DHHS – blood drive** April 26. Teacher Appreciation lunch May 17. Spring musical – March 30, 31 and April 1. Spring sports starting next week. PTA purchased two 3D printers.
- b) **Polson – Screenagers follow-up** cancelled for a second time due to the snowstorm, new date TBD. Jordan Sonnenblick coming in April. Stepping forward graduation and 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance in June.
- c) **Brown – Book fair** starting Monday, March 20, will be selling water bottles.
- d) **Island Ave – no report.**
- e) **Jeffrey – Science month** coming up. Spring Fling April 21.
- f) **Ryerson – Planning for Give to Grow** on April 28. Spring Fun Fair – May 20.
- g) **TCLC – no report.**

### 6) Wrap Up/Things to do/Share with your PTO etc.

- 1) **Madison Special Education Parent Teacher Organization (SEPTO)**  
SEPTO Communications Director: Lisa Nee - [lisa@allenee.com](mailto:lisa@allenee.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/MadisonSEPTO/](https://www.facebook.com/MadisonSEPTO/)

2) M.A.D.E in Madison.

Website: [www.madeinmadison.org/](http://www.madeinmadison.org/)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/MADE.in.Madison/](https://www.facebook.com/MADE.in.Madison/)

3) Madison Youth and Family Services.

Website: [www.madisonct.org/469/Youth-Family-Services](http://www.madisonct.org/469/Youth-Family-Services)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/MadisonYouthandFamilyServices/](https://www.facebook.com/MadisonYouthandFamilyServices/)

Motion to adjourn at 1:00 p.m.

**\*\* NO SOLICITATIONS!**