

District Parent Council Meeting Minutes: 10/3/23

Attendees: N.Romeo, A. Fennessy, C.Siddall, S.Cupelli-Deputy Superintendent, J.Shepard,J.Pirozzolo- Superintendent, Shannon Dunbar-Executive Director of Instructional Technology, Anthony Felice, Rose Mary Pidlypchak, Renate Mandy, Jessica Luisi, Morgan Laird, Marshelle Wagner, Tony Wagner

Facilitator: Noel Romeo

Recorder: C.Siddall

Timekeeper: J.Shepard

DPC Mission statement: The District Parent Council in partnership with the Auburn Enlarged City School District, will act as a forum for communication and support between members of the school district community in order to benefit all students.

Parent Square Presentation: *Shannon Dunbar, Executive Director of Instructional Technology*

Shannon Dunbar presented on the topic of Parent Square, the new communication app/website. All of the schools in Cayuga Onondaga BOCES have or are in the process of using Parent Square. It allows for all communication between the district, K-12 families, and 6-12 students. All families should have received an email from the district. If not, contact your student's secretary at respective schools.

Parents at the DPC meeting logged into Parent Square. Please see attachments. Shannon Dunbar explained the various aspects of communication on Parent Square. Students' Parent Square is called "My Student Square" and is available to students in grades 6-12.

Parents can respond to attendance alerts on Parent Square.

Questions:

Can parents send in an excuse /note via Parent Square? At secondary level, attendance clerks are not set up with Parent Square, so parents should call/email AJHS or AHS.

Are coaches required to use Parent Square? Coaches are encouraged, but many coaches work outside the district.

Can boosters groups (music and sports boosters) use Parent Square? No, not at this time.

Who can see a teacher's message to a parent? Only the parent and the teacher. Messages cannot be forwarded and are very secure. All messages are person to person only.

Superintendent's Report:

Jeff discussed Jessica Luisi and Chirs Sciria. They are the public relations personnel, and they are posting information on social media and the district website.

Discussion of lockdown drills and the importance and priority of safety in our schools.

Next DPC meeting:

November 6, 2023

6:30-7:30

Tubman Administration Building BOE room

Agenda:

- 1. School Safety: Chief Androsko-SRO's to discuss school safety, drills, etc.***
- 2. Superintendent's Report***
- 3. Discussion of December Topic***