Brennan Middle School

Brennan Organization of Parents

March 10, 2015

**Officers in attendance:** Lisa Ramos, Mary Morris, Rose Larson, Nancy Lamothe

**Attending:** Karen Saltzman, Stephen Sarcione, Laurie Brasil, Melanie Larson

Opening: At 6:36 the meeting was called to order by Lisa Ramos.

Principal’s Report:

* This was the third week of straight school following all the recent snow dates. Students and faculty are working to get back on track with some continuity.
* PARCC testing will be one week long with minimal disruption to the daily routine. The tests are 60-90 minutes long and are timed. IEP/504 accommodations will allow students to take longer if needed. 65% of Massachusetts schools are testing PARCC, all others are continuing with MCAS.
* On March 11 at 2pm there will be a School Council meeting. The agenda will include reviewing the school improvement plan and student goals will be developed.
* The student/faculty basketball game will be on Thursday March 12.
* March 16 is the middle of the term; parents should check Aspen to review grades.
* Report cards will be sent home April 30.
* April 4th will be the beginning of the Grade 5 step challenged which will end with the YMCA “Kids Day” May 2nd.

President’s Report:

* A motion to review last month’s minutes was accepted
* There was no BOP meeting in February due to snow!
* The eighth grade will have a field trip in June to High Meadows.

Treasurer’s report:

* The treasure’s report was reviewed and accepted (attached)
* The Grade 8 art teacher is requesting $5.00 per student from the BOP to cover the cost of an Art Museum field trip. Unfortunately the BOP does not have the funds to provide.

Open discussion:

* Future events were proposed. They included: A “Color Run” race (to be held at the end of May), Launch trampoline or Sky Zone day, United Skates (felt students may be too old), Dave & Buster’s night.
* A new fundraiser vender Meadow Farms will be offered for September 2015. Families can order on line and the products are delivered to the customer; no volunteers to sort and deliver will be needed.
* A recycling spring clean up drive was discussed. More to come.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Morris