

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
FAIRFIELD, CT

*Wellness Coalition Meeting*

May 20, 2011

Board of Education Conference Room

501 Kings Highway East

Fairfield, CT 06825

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Agenda

1. Committee Members Present: Jo Senecal, Mary Hogue, Susan Bellissimo, Tom Cullen, Michelle McCabe, Joann Fitzpatrick, Sarah Levy, Lori Mediate, Dave Abraham, Analise McCay, Anne Tack and Anna Cutaia-Leonard.
2. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.
3. Anna Cutaia-Leonard shared the priority goals for the 11-12 school year as selected by the committee from last meeting. The committee will discuss how to identify the baseline data for each goal area.
4. Susan Bellissimo shared an update on the Running Club. She has been in regular contact with the insurance company to determine what they will allow/disallow. There is potential that the clubs may need to change the focus and their names. David Abraham reported that 125 elementary school students participated in the Kids Marathon.

Tom Cullen shared that there were two ‘no idling’ signs at each school but during the bad snowstorms this winter, many of them were knocked down. He is investigating how to replace signs for the 11-12 school year.

Tom Cullen shared that there are six cases remaining of the hand sanitizer. Before placing an order for more hand sanitizer, the department will be researching for other potential products. Mr. Cullen shared an email from Dr. McDonald, Fairfield’s Town Doctor, recognizing that the current hand sanitizer is the right product to use. Anne Tack went on record to say that she’d like the district to use an alcohol-based product.

Tom Cullen gave an update on gardens. The approval process is open and continues with more schools having gardens approved for use.

Tom Cullen also shared the contract with the waste management company. The district pays by the number of containers only. Our containers get mixed together with other companies containers.

5. Joann Fitzpatrick provided a list of meal counts for the last month, new items on the menu, and a website update.

Joann Fitzpatrick and Michelle McCabe shared the events of sample day. Students were participated and parents volunteered with encouraging students to try the hummus and provided stickers to students.

National Food Day is on October 24, 2011. Sarah Levy, Joann Fitzpatrick, Michele McCabe, Lori Mediate and Analiese McCay will get together to make a place to celebrate this day in our town, schools and homes.

Michelle McCabe continues to work with schools on approving pizzas for the end of year fundraiser.

Michelle McCabe shared the Veggie Pledge plan. She will be looking for partners from the town and school district to help support it.

The Healthy Food Certification will be reviewed again at the June 14 Board of Education meeting.

6. The next meeting is June 10 at 10:00 a.m.
7. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.