

# Pierson High School Shared Decision Making Team Minutes

November 14 and December 18, 2014

Committee Members: Jeff Nichols, Administrator  
Gary Kalish, Administrator  
Joan Dudley, Parent  
Mary Anne Miller, Parent  
Rich Schiavoni, Community Member  
Ella Parker, Student  
Colleen Samot, Student  
Peter Solow, Teacher  
Eric Reynolds, Teacher

Present: Jeff Nichols  
Gary Kalish  
Joan Dudley  
Peter Solow  
Ella Parker  
Colleen Samot

At the first meeting, November 14, 2014, the committee identified three topics to address during the 2014/2015 school year as follows:

- 1) Class Rank
- 2) Green Initiatives/Education
- 3) Access to Art/Music Program(s)

During the second meeting, December 18, 2014, the committee created work teams that would be charged with doing some research related to their specific topic. The teams are listed below:

Class Rank - Nichols, Dudley, Kalish  
Access to Art/Music Programs - Parker, Solow, Reynolds  
Green Initiatives - Miller, Samot, Schiavoni

\*Notes work team leader

The work teams will report back to the committee on their findings during meeting number three. All three groups will gather information from similar schools regarding their practices and when necessary look at schools that do not resemble Pierson. Schools in New York identified as similar include but are not limited to Cold Spring Harbor, Locust Valley, Port Jefferson, Mattituck, Southold, and Dobbs Ferry. The green initiative group will likely expand their search to all schools.

The next meeting will take place during late January.