

## Town Meeting

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#### Precursors:

- SAB - Maybe next time we should ask teachers whether they want textbooks before buying them. Just saying. Also, don't buy Smartboards for Elly and Mary.
- Staff Mtg - no.

#### Announcements:

- Holiday toy drive continues. Please get an unwrapped toy to the Main Office by December 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Apparel sales now! Order your HBW clothing by December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Make-up picture day is December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Report from Social Studies meeting about Economics class - Eleanor. We're planning on Economics being a 10<sup>th</sup> grade class.
- New teacher! Cassie McBride, starts work on January 17<sup>th</sup> and is replacing Betsy Powell until the end of the year. Long history with Arlington Public Schools.

#### Motions:

- To give teachers their students' portal passwords. - Casey. Teachers already have ESP (e-School Plus, not the other thing). Wouldn't it be good to give all of a student's teacher and/or TA access to their Family Portal information? The teachers say yes. PASSED

#### Discussion:

- Are Middle School Interims now obsolete? - Paul. In short, yes. Sadly, though, we talked about this way more. So interims are now a week out of date by the time they are sent out, and with your grades all over the internet now anyway what's the point of interims? And why are (MS) interims just letter grades instead of EGP reports? Oh BTW, HS interims are obsolete now too. Does anyone know whether TAs get Family Portal passwords? And there's a better way to find out whether you're failing any classes: just go to your TA and actually talk about them.

Chair: Ben Branman

Co-Chair: Will Hubbert

Secretary: Robi Rahman