

**The Haley Pilot School values and appreciates the participation of all its members. We are currently looking for 2 members to serve on the Governing Board 2017-18.**

Members of the Dennis C. Haley Pilot School Governing Board support and maintain the mission of the school. Parent board members represent the perspective of the families as a whole and are committed to having the greater good and vision of the school community in mind. Parent members of the board will approve major school initiatives, discuss Instructional Leadership Team decisions as they pertain to major school policy, assist in evaluating the principal, participate in interviewing for open positions, approve the budget, approve the election-to-work agreement, and review and update by-laws annually. Parent members communicate with all families and provide this input during board meetings. The board will meet approximately 6 times throughout the year. Board members serve as elected volunteers.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. Who is on it?**

- Haley Principal
- 4 Boston Teachers' Union Faculty Members (1 paraprofessional and 3 teachers)
- 4 Parent Representatives (Students with IEP; K0-2<sup>nd</sup> graders; 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders, 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders)
- 6 Community and University/Business Partners

**2. What is the role of the parent rep on the governing board?**

To engage and encourage communication with the members of the Haley community so that decisions reflect the school as much as possible. Haley parent representatives may use the Haley Big Tent group (online Haley community forum), monthly school and SPC newsletters, SPC meetings and Haley events as means of communication.

**3. What qualifications do you need to be a parent rep?**

The parent rep must have a student currently enrolled in the Haley Pilot K-8 School. The parent rep is expected to attend the majority of Governing Board meetings, which are held every month on weekday evenings. Additional subcommittee meetings may also be scheduled.

**4. How long do you serve?**

Parents and Faculty are elected for a 2-year term. In cases where a representative is unable to finish his/her term, an interim representative would be elected to serve out the remainder of the term.

**5. Who votes for the parent representative?**

Parents. There is one vote per family. Voting is done on an honor system, encouraging fairness and maximizing school wide participation.

**6. What is the difference between the governing board and the School Parent Council (SPC)?**

The School Parent Council is made up only of Haley parents and guardians. It is the independently established "voice" of all families in the school community. The SPC does not create policy, but advocates for the students and the school, promoting an environment of understanding and common purpose among parents.

**7. Who can attend the Governing Board and Parent Council meetings?**

Anyone can attend both the Governing Board and the Parent Council meetings. Non-members attend the Governing Board meetings as observers. All parents/guardians are members of the Parent Council and attend as participants.

**Please reach out if you are interested in becoming a member of the Haley Pilot School Governing Board 2017-19. A short bio should be submitted to Ms. Duhaime in the office by Monday, June 19th 2017. Thank you for your dedication to the Haley Pilot School**