

Re: Student Advocacy - County Executive Budget Listening Session at Catoctin on 1/27 @ 1

Brotherton, Brian C

Thu 1/11/2024 2:38 PM

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To: careymurphy@aol.com <careymurphy@aol.com>;

Yes, that is the one I am applying for. Travis Tracy (the previous sustainability person) put me in contact with who was writing the grant, but they never got back to me, so my students started writing it instead of missing out on the funding.

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I don't know the name of the person yet. He/she starts on February 1.

Are you applying for the MSDE composting grant? I was encouraging FCPS to apply for that grant as a district and then offer support top-down support to schools. I did not get a response.

I will be part of a committee that will be meeting this year to develop a district-wide Sustainability plan to include Green Schools. Hopefully this new manager has vast experience with energy, etc. and can help get the district where it needs to be.

See you on the 26th, as close to 10:20 as I can be.

Many thanks,
Carey

On Thursday, January 11, 2024, 01:44:31 PM EST, Brotherton, Brian C <brian.brotherton@fcps.org> wrote:

The 26th would be perfect! You will have until 11:05 or 11:30 depending on their lunch shift.

Do you know the name of the new sustainability person? I am trying to get Catoctin in a community solar program because that is way more efficient vs. buying "renewable" offsets. We are also working on a grant to get composting off the ground, but we are going to need county support to keep it going.

I'm hoping students advocating will make a difference systemically because this bottom-up approach of teachers taking on all of these additional roles is not sustainable or manageable time-wise.

Thanks again for all of your help.

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I'm so glad they are interested!

Yes, I can definitely come meet with them.

I will be at Sabillasville Elementary until 10:05 on January 26. Would that give me enough time to get to you? Or is that not enough time with the session on 27, just the day after?

Also.....FCPS released their budget earlier this week. Their public hearing will be on 1/31 @ 6 at Urbana High School. I'm disappointed not to see a sustainability line item but there is \$125,000 allocated for renewable credits. Am hoping that the science departments will receive continued funding to support the Green School efforts like they have this year. FCPS did hire a new Sustainability Manager, so things should be moving forward.

And thanks for your message on the Order form. Hope you and the students can put those materials to good use :)

Carey

On Thursday, January 11, 2024, 11:23:35 AM EST, Brotherton, Brian C <brian.brotherton@fcps.org> wrote:

Hi Carey,

I have passed this information along to my students and they are psyched and passionate about this!

Would you have time to come talk to them about county budgeting and advocating in local government before the 27th? They would love to pick your brain.

Any day at 10:20AM would work. Thanks for passing this information along to me.

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Hi Brian:

Happy New Year! I wanted to make sure you saw this - it reminded me of our advocacy conversation last fall.

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I went last year and asked for money for an energy audit for FCPS system-wide to help with a sustainability plan.

I think they give everyone 3 minutes to speak.

Could be a good experience for students and District 5 is being held at your school.

This year, I think I may ask for more money for parks/other agencies so they can work with schools to increase partnerships/environmental education opportunities. Still working on that.

Hope to see you at the next Mobilize Frederick workshop on 2/13.

Many thanks,
Carey