**P.S. 176 The Ovington School**

**School Leadership Team Meeting**

**19 March 2021**

**Attendees:**

Lily Tang, Principal Culkin, Aiden Liu, MaryLou Sorenson, Suzanne Kelly, Marilyn Murphy, Victor Melendez, Chrissy Giannopoulos, Deborah Francisco, Greta Salazar de Villacis

Absent: Alejandra Mendoza, Debra Means-West

**Called to Order at 9:13am.**

**Minutes on Last Meeting Accepted:** Suzanne Kelly

**Seconded:** Marilyn Murphy

**Comprehensive Education Plan (CEP)**

The CEP continues to be on track.

**School Budget**

Ms. Culkin shared that at this time there is a window open in Galaxy for budget. The school is ordering devices, supplies and is updating existing resources. The school is working to bring back the Genius Hour starting in April and is ordering supplies for that. The school is working towards having a graduation ceremony and a Kindergarten stepping up ceremony. There may be three ceremonies, likely 30-40 minutes each. 5th grade families will be receiving the first letter home regarding graduation. Diplomas and graduation gowns are being covered by school funds.

NYS testing

Ms. Culkin shared that next week, the school will run a mock ELA test, which is in mid-April. The school is encouraging all students to participate in testing – remote and in-person students. Parents can opt in or opt out of the testing, but the school is advocating for all children to be able to take the test. The provisional plan is to have K-2 students attend classes remotely during the days the NYS tests are being administered, to allow for all students to come in and take the tests.

**Title I: Parent Advisory Council**

With two PAC members not present at the meeting, there were no updates at this time from the PAC. Ms. Culkin shared that in terms of Title I funds, the school is still working towards Saturday programs. The school is aiming for in-person activities, likely outdoors, to increase student interaction.

**Committee Reports: Attendance, Nutrition, Safety**

Attendance: continues to be good.

Nutrition: the school continues to provide pick-up meals for families.

Safety: the school continues with its normal drills, health screening such as temperature checks and random COVID testing.

**PTA Report**

Graduation chair rentals placed for 400 chairs. PTA is working with the school in ordering cap and gowns, diplomas and autograph books for graduation.

PTA elections are on 7 May and more parents are needed to run for PTA positions.

Lily and Greta are on nominating committee.

**Student Representative**

Aiden shared that the Intel club is great. He is working with his teacher to create more clubs to increase social interactions between students.

The next meeting date on April 16, 2021 at 9:30am.

There being no other business, **the meeting was adjourned at 9:39am**

Respectfully submitted,

Greta Salazar de Villacis