

SLT Minutes  
Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 - 7:35 a.m.  
Via Google Meet

Members: Heidi Bookman, Jane Cyphers, Jean Herubin, Eileen Fallon, Jill Gandel, Rachel Katzman, Gerard Langton, Maria Leacy, Maryanne Mazzola, Rachel Meltzer, Rohi Pandya, Dave Feller, Laura Scott and Heather Volik.

Guests: Barrett Braithwaite, Anita Buie, Sandra Caruso, Wendy Hernandez, Ali Koziel, Heleana Ryan, Dave Simmons, and Gary Wong.

(1) Call to order: meeting called to order at 7:40am.

(2) Review and approval of minutes: Minutes from the last meetings were approved.

(3) School Re-openings

- Gary summarized survey responses from families/parents:

- most responses from lower grades
- mixed responses on how well distance learning is going (minority think it's not going well)
- most families think it's the right amount to too much screen time
- most families think they are getting the right amount of work
- suggestion to break out pre-K results and allow for differentiation across multiple kids in one family
- they won't get DOE survey results until the summer; this is why PS10 put out their own survey to get results quickly

- Other questions raised:

- what does school do if someone tests positive?
- accommodations for immune compromised?
- who is doing temp checks?
- what happens with cluster teachers who are exposed to more students? Do only remote, hybrid?
- how to accommodate alternating school days/weeks with working parents
- for children with special needs, can they wear clear masks to be able to communicate
- how will teachers manage content and safety issues in classroom?
- how efficient can content be delivered in classroom?
- can we prioritize the more at risk students (the one who cannot be fully supported at home) to be in the classroom?

- DOE might send out standardized guidelines/mandates; right now looking like schools will also have quite a bit of discretion

- There is a need to reconcile UFT and DOE guidelines/mandates

- Parents would like to see more consistency in terms of online live teaching

- Request: as much as possible, keep kids in different grades in sync if there is a hybrid model
  - PS 10 is leaning towards hybrid model: need some kind of in-person contact
  - Reminder: Add PD budget to PTA
  - It will be helpful to use the survey to find out from survey how many families would/would not send their kids to school
  - It is useful to look at what other countries/places and private schools are doing
  - It is crucial to address social-emotional issues upon return
  - There has been a decision to no keep kids with the same group as this past year
  - Suggestion: have communication with families as early as possible about how school year will work, who their teacher is (understanding that there are staffing/budgeting constraints that prevent it from happening before early August)
  - Rohi will share letter from Principal at MS839 about budget cuts; but Laura notes that message from parents can be even more effective.
  - There are enough Kindergarten registrants to cover 6 classes; K280 has enough to cover 23 classes.
  - SLT will reconvene in mid-July
- (4) Meeting adjourned at 8:45am.