SLT Minutes

Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 7:30am

Via Zoom

Members: Jenn Cribbs, Felicia Devita, Maribeth Dono, David Feller, Jean Herubin, Rachel Katzman, Emily Klotz, Jane Kotapish, Maria Leacy, Maryanne Mazzola, Heleana O’Driscoll-Ryan, Bonnie Schwerin, Laura Scott

(1) Call to order: 7:30am

(2) Logistics:

-SLT Bylaws indicate morning meetings only. A hard stop of 8:15 will be adopted to allow staff to get downstairs for arrivals.

-Emily Klotz will create a one-page calendar document.

-Jane Kotapish will take minutes with Rachel Katzman as an alternate.

-David Feller will replace Emily as chair; a staff member is sought to co-chair with him.

-Maribeth Dono will temporarily sub as UFT rep until a chapter leader is named.

-There’s an election in October if we need a new parent member.

- Maria Leacy is Title 1 Rep, with Jackie Wolff as alternate

(3) Laura’s report:

-Opening day was “smoother than it could have been” with a few glitches. A surplus of new parents added a level of chaos. Day two was much better.

-Articulation didn’t take place until early Sept due to a lack of CDC guidelines, shifting data on family moves, and an attempt to balance classes.

-PS10 lost 75-100 students but gained 65 in the first week of registration alone; there was a steep learning curve in pupil accounting.

-Classes are larger than expected, with an average of 24 in K, and as high as 31 in 3rd and 4th; if we go higher than 31 we can’t comply with CDC guidelines.

-Teachers have designed rooms to appropriately distance; new furniture is still arriving.

-Kids are distanced in the cafeteria with 20 min inside and 20 min outside; we are utilizing Butterfly Garden and Mayrose Park for more space.

-K280 has 10 classes of 3K and 12 classes of 4K, reflecting a sudden influx right before opening day. Monday 9/20 will launch full days.

(4) Budget:

-145K just received for teacher initiatives/struggling students.

-No deductions, meaning “the best it’s been in years.”

-PTA presidents Jenn and Felicia have been great supporting spending initiatives.

(5) Personnel:

-New science and music teachers are great.

- We are down to one security agent as Ms. Diamond was redeployed. LS has requested a second agent for the all-access entrance, and for Monique’s hours to be shifted so staff can access building at 7:00am rather than 7:15am; she’ll have a result by Friday 9/17.

(6) CEP:

-We should know new signature deadline by 9/17.

-Everyone needs to access the IPlan Portal

(7) Building safety:

-Parent access requires proof of vaccination. Monique is up to speed on this policy.

-Attic fan vents through each closet; each room has two air purifiers, plus window access, plus AC (minus four rooms with nonfunctioning AC).

(8) Public Access:

-We need to let the gen pop know that SLT meetings are open to all.

-An admin letter and a PTA communication will go out about this.

(9) Adjournment

-Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

-Next meeting is Sept 29th at 7:30am