SLT Meeting

January 6, 2015 3:30pm-5:30pm

Attendance:

Bob Bender (Principal Member), Debbie Osborn (CBO Member), Michelle Verdiner (Principal Intern)

Megan Newman (UFT Representative filling in for Sarah Garro), Paul Raeburn (PTA Representative)

Teachers:

Caitlyn Robison, Daniella Nusblatt, Krista Hailey, Emily Donatello (absent)

Parents:

Anu Agrawal, Robin Broshi, Ben Caldwell, Tori Lyon, Kristin Sewell, Chair

Minutes:

1. December 2, 2014 SLT Meeting Minutes were approved.
2. SLT Events and Enrichment Proposals
	1. A final protocol was discussed and finalized. Feedback will be requested from the PTA Executive Board at its 1/7/15 meeting before being published.
	2. The Proposal for the Spelling Bee was reviewed. It was suggested that there is time during lunch, recess, or in the morning for kids to study together. The proposal was recommended for presentation to the PTA.
	3. There will be a Curriculum Connection on January 14, 2015 on Kindergarten Writing. Spelling, mechanics, expectations, brainstorming help, and other aspects will be covered.
	4. There will also be a Curriculum Connection on February 11, 2015 (originally scheduled for Feb. 5) on State Testing.
	5. The Science Fair is January 29th. This year, the Fair will be in two parts: 3rd and 4th grade in the morning and 5th grade in the evening. There are many more groups this year than last year.
	6. Robin Broshi reported on the first cycle of the Book Clubs for “How Children Succeed”. The cycle culminated with an event on December 18th where parent groups reported to each other on their discussions. About 40-50 parents participated. Cycle 2 will be modeled after additional work being done with teachers at PS11. There will be three different choices of texts to read, and parent groups will be formed around these materials. The informational kick off is scheduled for January 22nd with a meeting scheduled for March 12. Participating parents will be invited to attend one of the regular 8:00 am teachers group meetings.

**C. Middle School Applications**

One of the parents suggested that PS11 could help 5th grade students prepare for middle school applications, which often include a group activity or interview. The 5th grade teachers will work this into their class work.

**D. Video Project**

The teachers have started to produce short “Show Me” videos. Two videos will be made for each math unit and posted online. These will roll out by the end of the month.

Next SLT Meeting

Tuesday, February 3, 2015

3:30pm-5:30pm