

SLT Meeting

10/6/2015 3:30pm-5:30pm

Attendance:

Bob Bender (Principal Member)
Debbie Osborn (CBO Member)
Elizabeth De-Vita-Raeburn (PTA Representative)

Teachers:

Emily Donatello Caitlyn Robison Daniella Nusblatt Megan Newman Jamie Reichelt

Parents:

Anu Agrawal Robin Broshi Kristin Sewell Ben Caldwell

Minutes:

- A. Approval of September 2015 SLT Meeting Minutes.
- B. **CEP Approved**
- C. **PS11 Welcome Back Potluck Dinner Re-Cap**, September 18 6:00-7:30
 - 1. New Set-Up improved flow
 - 2. Improvements for next time:
 - i. Add one more table in back to block playground more effectively
 - ii. Use the back tables for pizza and the front tables for all the other food
- E. Curriculum Nights: K-2 Literacy and Math (10/8)
 - 1. Bob drafted email that teachers sent out to their classes to promote the event
 - 2. There will be 2 classrooms for kindergarten , 3 classrooms for 1st grade, and 2 classrooms for second grade
 - 3. Tickets will be given to each parent upon entry with room number by grade
 - 4. Parents will stay in one classroom with their team of 3 teachers
 - 5. Topics
 - i. Kindergarten:
 - a) How Kindergartners Develop Strong Mathematical Thinking and Vocabulary;
 - b) Writing in Kindergarten: Supporting your Growing Writer
 - ii. First Grade:



- a) Mathematical Problem Solving by Flexible Resilient Mathematicians
- b) How to teach Writers to be Independent across Genres
- c) Reading Assessments, Conferences, Partnerships, Parents as Partners

iii. Second Grade:

- a) Creating Flexible Mathematicians through Fluency and Problem Solving
- b) Showing Grit through the Writing Cycle with a Focus on Revision Strategies
- 6. Presentations to be posted on PS11 website after the event
- 7. Survey to be given at the end of event and will be collected by grade.

F. 3-5 Literacy and Math (10/29)

- 1. Bob will draft e-mail for teachers to send to their classes to promote event
- 2. Will follow same format as K-2 Literacy/Math night. Based on how K-2 Literacy/Math goes will make any required changes accordingly

G. BookClub

- 1. The bookclub kick-off meeting was on 10/5 at 9:00 AM.
- 2. 14 people attended initial meeting and 2 groups were formed for meeting times.
- 3. After cycle 1, discussed doing a curriculum connection about bookclub
- 4. Final culmination meeting for cycle 1: November 12 or 19

H. Curriculum Connections

1. Include question in survey that will be handed out at Literacy/Math nights re: meeting time preferences (8 or 9 AM) and topics of interest

I. Community Goals

- 1. Safety: How to improve the garbage in front of big yard-especially at pick up.
- Communication: Discussed how to improve communication to 5th grade parents about middle schools. Discussed making it clearer to parents that they should seek out middle school information on their own and not rely solely on information posted on the website.
- 3. Add the goal of homework for this year. Created rough plan for how to organize homework discussion at SLT meetings and with PS11 community
 - i. Homework Policy discussion needs to be research-based
 - ii. For the November SLT meeting: SLT members should find more Homework research and post to the Homework folder (Robin will reshare Homework folder link). At the November meeting, research will be divided up to read and analyze.
 - iii. For December meeting
 - a) Discuss research
 - b) Decide on forums of how we should receive feedback from parents, teachers, students.
 - c) Establish types of questions that should be asked per grade



- iv. January: Create venues for feedback and analyze data
- v. February: SLT positioning on Homework vi. March/April/May: Creating plans, 'studies'

Next SLT Meeting: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 3:30-5:30