

## SLT Meeting

2/2/16

3:30pm-5:30pm

### Attendance:

Bob Bender (Principal Member)

Debbie Osborn (CBO Member)

### Teachers:

Emily Donatello

Caitlyn Robison

Daniella Nusblatt

Megan Newman

Jamie Reichelt

### Parents:

Anu Agrawal

Robin Broshi

Ben Caldwell

Elizabeth Devita

Tori Lyon

Kristin Sewell

### Minutes:

#### A. Approval of January 2015 SLT Meeting Minutes.

- B. **CEP:** CEP is on target. The goal to have once a month “show me” videos for each grade needs to be tweaked as the teacher in charge was on leave.

#### C. Curriculum Connection:

1. 2/3: Importance of Play: Geared for PreK-2 parents. Focus is play during academic day. Will test to see how later starting time affects participation.
2. 3/9: Testing: Start time 8:30
3. 5/4: Student empowerment: Start time TBD

#### D. Science Fair

1. 1/28, 5th grade science fair
  - i. Independent science class of 5th graders was a great idea.
  - ii. For next year, feedback includes: adding milestones to ensure kids are meeting project deadlines, communicating better with parents, more guidance in choosing the projects
2. 1/29, 3rd and 4th grade science fair
  - i. Communication to parents needs to be improved and needs to be made more consistent.

**E. Community Goal Updates:****1. Homework**

- i. Continued discussion about homework policy.
- ii. Discussed mission statement for homework policy. Latest version:

PS 11 values family choice and flexibility when considering homework and student time spent outside of school. Teachers will provide families with optional activities for continued learning and practice at home. Research shows a direct correlation between time spent reading and academic development. Therefore, we encourage students to engage in daily reading at home. Additionally some assignments will be sent home throughout the year to help maximize student learning time in the classroom. We understand the expectation for our students in middle school, therefore our 5th grade homework policy will be adjusted to prepare our students for middle school.

- iii. Next meeting goals is to re-read the mission statement, discuss format for homework and menu options and determine schedule for the Spring.

**Next SLT Meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016, 2015 3:30-5:30**

Appendix:

Curriculum Connection Topics and Dates

3/9: Wednesday: Testing

5/4: Wednesday: Student Empowerment

3/30: Architecture Night

Homework Discussion Timeline:

November: Broke up Research

December Meeting: Discussed Research and began discussion on forums on how we should receive feedback from parents, teachers, students

January: Further discussed PS11 values for after school hours and started drafting mission statement.



February: Solidify mission statement  
March: Menu options