

## **SLT Meeting**

**9.6.18**

**3:30 - 5:30**

### **Attendance:**

Bob Bender, PS 11 Principal

### **Teachers:**

Kelsey Petrillo (5th Grade Teacher)  
Sara Jutcovich (3rd Grade Teacher)  
Julianne Toce (3rd Grade Teacher)  
Erica Goldstick (2nd Grade Teacher)  
Serena Trinkwalder (Math Staff Developer)

### **Parents:**

Robin Broshi (parent, 5th grader)  
Sonal Patel (parent, 5th grader and 1st grader)  
Ron Miller (parent, 3rd grader)  
Jordan Wright (parent, 2nd grader)  
Rachel Schwartz (parent, 2nd grader)  
Jason Schultz (parent, 1st grader)

### **Not Present:**

Debbie Osborne, PS 11 Programs and Community Based Organization (CBO) representative

### **Minutes:**

#### **A. June meeting minutes approved.**

#### **B. Chair and Recording Secretary Selections**

- Robin Broshi selected as SLT Chair.
- Rachel Schwartz selected as Recording Secretary.

#### **C. Enrichment Proposal: Book Nook**

- The team discussed the benefits and challenges of this proposal.
- Some benefits include getting unwanted books into the hands of kids who want them.
- Some challenges include maintenance and matching kids with appropriate books.
- The team decided to ask for a revised proposal that would make the Book Nook less of a permanent presence in the school and more like the successful book exchange in May 2018 where families donated books which were then immediately sent home with students. Perhaps this swap could be organized across grades and be aligned with a Family Friday when families are likely to be at school.

#### **D. CEP**

- The team's CEP goals for 2018-2019 were submitted and approved.

#### **E. Potluck Planning**

- The potluck is scheduled for Friday, September 14th.

- SLT members will arrive at 5:15 to set up.
- New rules remain in place: children must be accompanied by an adult to enter the yard and attend the picnic. All students must be accompanied by an adult to enter the building to use a restroom. No other parts of the building will be open to the public.
- SLT members will work in shifts to guard the entrance from the yard.
- Robin is ordering “boats” and pizza cutters.
- Tables will be set up for SLT to sell book club books and for Specials Teachers.

#### **F. SLT Book Club: The Hate U Give**

- Jason, Jordan, Sonal and Rachel will run the parent book club this year.
- The team will debut the book club plan and recruit readers at the September 21st PTA Meeting. The team will form small reading groups and explain how parents can answer questions and leave their thoughts on a digital platform which Ms. Goldstick will set up through google classroom.
- PS 11 teachers are reading White Rage by Carol Anderson. This can possibly be a second book club book for parents.

#### **G. Curriculum Evenings**

- The K-2 Curriculum Evening will be on September 25th. Rachel and Jason will help direct parents to the proper classrooms.
- The 3-5 Curriculum Evening will be on September 26th. Rachel, Sonal and Robin will help direct parents to the proper classrooms.
- The team received a draft of the feedback form that parents will be asked to complete. Teachers will have parents fill out the form after their presentation and they open it up for Q and A.

#### **H. Emotional Intelligence Work**

- PS 11 is working with Yale University over the next three years to explore and develop an emotional intelligence curriculum.
- The teachers in each grade will write a charter including how they want students to feel at school and then work on an action plan for how to make it happen.
- The University advised that the SLT team should hold off its planned Family Fridays devoted to emotional intelligence until the process is further along.

#### **I. Racial Equity Work**

- PS 11’s goal this year is to become a more culturally responsive school.
- The school will use its Book of the Month program to introduce themes, the first being “Our Skin is Beautiful”. Every student will be create a portrait and write a poem addressing “Where I Come From”. The school has stocked up on multi-cultural art supplies so that every student will be able to find a color that matches his/her own skin.
- The portraits will be hung in a trail that will wrap around the school.
- PS 11 also has plans to start some non-English speaking clubs in school.
- PS 11 will continue to have a racial equity student advisory, a racial equity teacher advisory and will begin to work with District 2 on racial equity issues and developing an action plan.
- The following Family Fridays will be reserved for the SLT to plan and execute more racial equity work:
  - October 2nd
  - November 13th
  - January 8th (for 3-5 grades)
  - March 5th (for all grades except 2nd)

- May 7th

#### **J. Parent Engagement Planning**

- The PTA may sponsor a Border Crossers workshop on an upcoming Saturday.
- The SLT team will plan and engage in outreach for the G and T program. Robin will reach out to Hudson Guild and the Fulton Houses about how best to engage with families. Families need to sign up for G and T testing by November 13th.

#### **K. Math Club**

- The team discussed selection for the Math Club. More students apply than can be admitted so participants are chosen at random. However, some students may get the wrong idea and think they weren't selected because they aren't good at math.
- Robin will speak with the head of the Math Club about possibly running a Math Enrichment Class instead beginning in March

**Next meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from 3:30 - 5:30.**