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SLT Meeting

11.13.18

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)

Community Representative:

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

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)

Not Present:

Jason Schultz (parent, 1st grader)

Minutes:

A. October meeting minutes approved.

B. Enrichment Proposals

- Robin announced that the Math Club is back on. Parent leaders of the club say they will choose members at random from interested students. Students will not have to do any math to be accepted into the program.
- The team discussed a submitted proposal to start a program where published authors visit PS 11 students. The team wants more details on how this program will be funded and which students/grades will participate. The team would also like for diverse authors to be represented. The team decided to ask the parent to flesh out some details and resubmit her proposal, possibly considering a pilot visit sometime this Spring.

- Rachel relayed some feedback from parents who took issue with the SLT's decision earlier this month to deny the Book Nook proposal and to change the Math Club from a lunchtime club to an enrichment option for upper grade students (a decision that was later amended).

C. SLT Letter

- Robin shared the letter that she wrote to the community about the SLT's mission, SLT sponsored activities and new SLT communication initiatives. The letter will be sent home in backpack mail and, due to the fact that it contains hyperlinks, will also be sent out in email form by class parents.

D. SLT Book Club: The Hate U Give

- Rachel reported that the parent book club had completed reading The Hate U Give and had met in person to discuss it on 10/9 and 11/13. In the first session the seven attendees discussed code switching, white privilege and societal systems that foster a climate of inequality. The second meeting saw a new group of six attendees who had an interesting and intense discussion of issues related to racial equity.
- The selection for the second book club book is We Are Not Yet Equal by Carol Anderson.
- The parent group and the teacher group will meet after the parents complete this second book.

E. G and T Outreach

- Sonal reported on the outreach she has been doing to spread the word about the G and T test and PS 11's goal of diversifying its G and T classes. She was able to help ten families sign up for the G and T test. Her efforts have laid the groundwork for further outreach next year at Hudson Guild. She would like to sketch out a plan how best to support families in the future with goals of recruiting a bigger team and starting the publicity initiative earlier in the year.
- Bob reported that PS 11 was able to fill eight (out of a possible sixteen) G and T spots with students who met our diversity criteria and has assurances that the Office of Enrollment will take into account applicants' priority status on the waitlist, which was not the case for offers made for this school year.

F. December Family Friday Planning

- The team began planning a schoolwide activity for the Family Friday to be held on November 30th.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 4, 2018 from 3:30 - 5:30.