

SLT Meeting - 2/01/16

Q300 - The 30th Avenue School

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Matt WIllard, Principal

Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm

Members present

Yan Zheng
Edwin Mora
Pooja O'Hanlon
Elizabeth Eck
Maria Hantzopoulos
David Wang
Kristina Jelinek (unofficially)

Members Not Present

Kalliopi Hatziathanassiou Jill Kaufman Matthew Willard Elizabeth Yarmy Annette Bindert

Review and Approval of Minutes of SLT Meeting on 1/11/2016 postponed until quorum is met

Principal's Report (by Kristina Jelinek, AP) -

- Garbage has piled up outside the middle school campus because old materials were disposed off at a day of service at I.S. 126, followed by a snowstorm and no garbage service because of MLK say. The garbage is scheduled to be picked up for Tuesday, February 2nd. For this week middle school will be using the middle of the block entrance, the ALC entrance, for pickup and dismissal. Steve Khan will be sending an email out to parents about the new entrance. Q300 will assess how this goes and then go back to our previous entrance in the back.
- Regarding the elementary school, reading level data should be sent home shortly. Students were regrouped into their new reading level classes.

- The middle school had students participate in the Lego First Robotics on Sunday January 31st, with one team progressing on to the next round at the Javits Center. Scott and Betty met students at the competition and were supported by many parents. Several second graders who worked with the Lego team were able to come watch the event and support the team. The students who participate in Model UN also went to a practice conference on Saturday, January 30th.
- Global language project was funded for the rest of the year at the last PTA
 meeting so it will continue to the end of this year. Kristina and an organizer of the
 Global Language Project will do an observation of a class and meet to plan how
 to continue and what will be best for students moving forward. Matt and relevant
 parties will continue to discuss how to proceed with Spanish instruction in the
 following year.
- Core Value Action Teams:

Inclusion Team

Elizabeth, Edwin, David and Annette

Inquiry Team

o Betty, Maria, Yan and Kristina

Ally and Scott met today to discuss the technology scope and sequence planning that the Inquiry team had worked on. Next, this team will work on how to make the Spanish programming more visible to parents. They will continue by looking at the middle school proficiency test to assess the final goal. Edwin will provide some materials from the middle school to show the progression of skills.

Responsibility Team

Matt, Pooja, and Jill

Parent Report -

- The PTA elected a new parent SLT member, Minnie Yen, who is a 6th grade parent.
- On Friday the PTA meeting passed several propositions, including the funding of middle school Spanish instruction for the remainder of the year. Global Language Program came and spoke to parents and offered to address some of their concerns as we progress.
- The PTA voted on \$5,000 for the purchase of 10 middle school robotics kits.
- The PTA is having a spring auction on May 15th. The venue may be larger and more affordable. Adult ticket prices will cost around \$22 and kids tickets \$12, including food costs. This will pay for food and the DJ but profits are only expected to come from the auction items. This is before the elementary

- acceptance letters go out but as last year not many new families came it is worth going forward. Event planners will work on more activities for students at the event. Teachers are encouraged to donate experiences to be raffled off.
- Q300 submitted a Reso A proposal to upgrade the science lab at the middle school. PTA will be working on having parents write letters to local electeds to support Q300's proposal.
- A resolution was passed to hire a second grade teaching assistant and there is a suggestion of a recent Vassar graduate that parents are acquainted with. She will be interviewed when Matt returns.
- The PTA has raised about \$90,000 with a 39% parent participation rate. These additional items will cost about \$20,000. This means PTA will still be able to meet their budgets for the rest of the year but the concern is that it will need sufficient funds to start the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year. PTA is looking at other avenues to raise money such as a journal for the spring auction.

UFT Report -

 Everything is reported in good order at both campuses. Teachers talked about the end of the year exposition at both schools. The middle school will put something together for the end of the year and the elementary school will continue to do their regular end of year celebrations.

Remuneration Logs – logs to be updated at next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50